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HITHERTO Hongkong's interest in Commonwealth prime ministers' conference has been largely academic, the deliberations and decisions having no direct effect on the Colony. Interest this week—certainly amongst our industrialists—is likely to be keen inasmuch that Mr Robert Menzies of Australia wants to discuss revision of the Ottawa agreement, which involves Imperial preference.

To Hongkong manufacturers, Imperial preference is a subject of prime importance. At a time when our industries need increasingly to expand in production and in the marketing of manufactures for the purpose of continuing to bolster the Colony's economy, any modification of Imperial preference must have a retarding effect.

Mr Menzies has declared that his intention is not to seek elimination of Imperial preference, but to work out with Britain a bilateral modification of the Ottawa agreement that would remove the unfair disadvantages which Australia today suffers from that agreement. That is a tricky undertaking, for it is hard to see how the conditions of the Ottawa agreement could be changed without this affecting the whole of the Commonwealth and the colonial empire.

Hongkong can hardly expect its own peculiar problem to have any impact on the London deliberations, for if there is to be any revision of the Ottawa agreement, it will be based on the principle of the greatest good for the greatest number. Nevertheless, the hope is expressed that some sympathetic consideration will be given to Hongkong's position and that the Commonwealth Prime Minister will recognize that any modification of Imperial preference will have a gravely adverse effect on the Colony's economy.

LARGE as the subject may loom in the discussions, revision of the Ottawa agreement will not dominate this week's conference. There are many subjects of much wider implications for the Commonwealth as a whole requiring deep consideration. One is the new international economic drive initiated by Soviet Russia.

The British government at least is convinced that Russia is embarking on a campaign for world supremacy in the international export markets; that this is the real explanation for the Soviet's decision to switch from policies of force to policies of factories. The threat to the Commonwealth's economic stability demands a thorough appraisal by the Commonwealth's political leaders.

The big issue for the Commonwealth statesmen is how—like Russia—they can save money and manpower on conventional defence now outmoded by nuclear weapons, and divert those resources to the new economic battle. And the problem assumes bigger proportions because the Commonwealth starts what has been called the "battle of peaceful competition" at a disadvantage, many of its members being already engaged in a struggle against inflation.

It is against this background that the Commonwealth must try to work out fresh plans for strengthening its position to meet the new Soviet economic challenge.

BIG BOOST IN AIR GRANT

US Senate Adds \$912m To Ike's Appropriation

Washington, June 26. The Senate today voted for an increase of \$912 million in the funds for the Air Force. The increase was included in a \$35,000 million defence appropriation bill — of which almost half is for the Air Force.

POLIO and SALT

Now A 'Startling New Theory'

From CHAPMAN PINCHER

London, June 26. A startling new theory about polio which, if proved, might save more lives than any vaccine, is put forward in a scientific report today.

The theory: polio strikes when the body is short of salt. To prevent it—simply put an extra sprinkling of salt on your food when polio is prevalent.

Mr F. A. Irving, County Health Inspector for Essex, has put forward the theory after many months of careful research.

It sounds far-fetched but it accounts for four odd facts about polio which have so far defied explanation.

FOUR QUESTIONS

★ Why is polio far more prevalent during the summer months though the germs are known to be present throughout the year?

It is in hot weather that the body is most likely to become short of salt, Irving argues. Large amounts are lost in sweat. Drinking replaces the lost water but not the salt.

★ Why does over-exertion make you more susceptible to contracting paralytic polio?

The report says that extra exercise taken in the summer greatly intensifies the amount of salt lost through sweating.

★ Why does polio strike hardest in the most civilised communities?

Mr Irving says the habit of taking frequent baths is known to rob the body of salt by increasing sweating. This, coupled with the effects of exertion, would also help to explain a link between swimming baths and polio.

★ Why do operations like the removal of tonsils appear to increase susceptibility to polio?

The administration of anaesthetics is known to make the body lose salt.

ACID DEFENCE?

Mr Irving believes he can explain why a shortage of salt should make it easier for polio germs to attack the body.

It is known the germs gain entry via contaminated food in the digestive system. So acid in the stomach may be the body's first line of defence.

Normally the acid would be strong enough to kill the germs, but when the body is short of salt it becomes weaker, London Express Service.

30-DAY SIEGE DECLARED

Guatemala City, June 26. The Government of Guatemala today declared a state of siege for a duration of 30 days with curfew throughout the country from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. each day.

The state of siege, more drastic than the "public order" law already in force, was declared in the wake of demonstrations yesterday by students, in which several students were killed and injured.

A Government announcement said the state of siege had been declared "to end the activities of subversive elements seeking social dissolution." —France Press.

GIRLS LIKE EDEN

Sir Anthony: A Diplomatic Doll!

Hollywood, June 26. Sir Anthony Eden, the Prime Minister, was chosen by a women's group today among the 10 men in the world with whom they would like most to go out.

The organisation of 35 models and Hollywood starlets calling themselves the Bachelorettes placed Sir Anthony Eden third on a list of the "ten most datable men in the world."

He was described by the group as "a diplomatic doll representing the finer things in life." The ten include Ernest Hemingway (author), Gary Cooper, Charlton Heston (actor) and John Huston, movie director.

The ten will be sent pasters entitling them to go out with any of the 35 bachelorettes and all have been invited to attend the group's first annual dinner in a night club on August 5. —China Mail Special.

CATS BECOME COONSKINS

Middlesbrough, June 26. Police here are investigating a report that youths are killing cats and using their skins for "Davy Crockett" hats.

At least eight cats had been killed for this purpose in Middlesbrough in the last month, said a spokesman for the Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. —China Mail Special.

FARMER'S GRIM FIGHT WITH KILLER PYTHON

Singapore, June 26. A Chinese farmer Kioo Ger, 57, today fought a python which was coiled round his 15-year-old son, Khoo Yap-koon, in a death grip.

The farmer, armed with a parang (jungle knife) slashed at the snake which loosed its hold on the weakened boy and attacked him. The giant python bit at Khoo's arm, wounding it several times, before it allured away into a swamp.

Neighbours then attacked it with hoses, wounding it severely.

Stealing Duck

Yap Koon said later that he caught the python stealing a duck from his father's poultry run and beat it with a stick.

It turned on him and coiled round him in a crushing grip. He tried to save himself with his bare hands but the snake was winning until his father arrived.

After the boy's arm had weakened the snake, Kioo Ger put it in a wicker basket and took it to the hospital where the farmer was being treated.

The vote was 48-40. The vote was considered a victory for the Democratic Congressional leadership.

The vote to add the unasked for funds came after the Senate defeated by 47 votes to 42, a Republican effort to hold the increase to \$500 million.

This and smaller increases for the Army, Navy and other defence agencies now goes back to the House of Representatives, which had approved about \$1,500 million less.

Differences are normally adjusted later by a Senate-House compromise before final approval.

If the bill, as finally sent to the White House, contains more money than Mr Eisenhower needs, there is a possibility he might withhold some of the funds by executive order.

THEORETICAL?

Nothing that Senator Stuart Symington (Democrat-Missouri) said today about the results "may be theoretical, because the President may impound the money and the Secretary of Defence, Mr Wilson, has said he will take a look at the money then decide whether to spend it."

Symington said the vote on the increase would show "whether we want the United States to have an Air Force second to the Russian Air Force."

The increase in funds, he said, would permit the Defence Department to "have the kind of programming any good business would want to have."

The appropriation is for the fiscal year beginning on July 1. The increase put through by the Democrats for the Air Force is \$912,025,000.

With the major issue settled, the bill was passed 88-0 on a routine roll call vote. —Reuter.

Turbo-prop For Moscow

Moscow, June 26. The Russians today announced a flight to Moscow of a turbo-prop Vickers Viscount aircraft by four Soviet top-level "back-room boys" of the British aircraft industry.

Dr Walter Caywood, Director-General of Research and Development (air) at the Ministry of Supply, who is among the British party visiting Russia, said today, the flight would depend on whether an aircraft could be made available in view of the needs of waiting customers.

Dr Caywood said: "We have offered to let the Russians have a look over it and give one of two demonstration flights." —Reuter.

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DEAD TWINS' MOTHER ON MURDER CHARGE

Sequel To Thames Houseboat Fire



Twins Colin and Reginald Wright with their mother.

London, June 26. A mother of twin boys who died in a houseboat fire on the River Thames last month was charged today with their murder.

A woman friend was similarly charged.

The two-year-old twins, Colin and Reginald Wright, died in the blaze which gutted the houseboat they went to live aboard when their own houseboat was burned two days earlier.

Their mother, Mrs Violet Clark—also known as Mrs Wright—escaped from the blaze with her friend, Mrs Grace Richardson, and four other children belonging to the other woman.

Body Disinterred

Both women were arrested today.

During the month-long inquiry into the fire, police ordered the disinterment of the body of Mr Reginald Wright, father of the two boys, who died exactly one month before the fire.

He collapsed on a path beside the river. When his body was exhumed, a post-mortem examination was made. It was learned today that no trace of poison was found in his body.

Mrs Clark, 39, and Mrs Richardson, 47, were remanded in custody until Wednesday of next week after a formal appearance in the Magistrate's court. —China Mail Special.

200 RESCUED

Calcutta, June 26. Floods swept over 125 Assam villages today as water poured through a 100-foot break in the embankment of east Pakistan's River Gomati. Two hundred people were rescued. —United Press.

WESTERN AIR CHIEFS GET A CLOSE-UP OF SOVIET WARPLANES

Moscow, June 26.

Russia today gave the West a close look at the inside workings of her main frontline combat planes.

Western Air Force chiefs visiting Moscow at Soviet invitation, also saw electronic bomb-aiming devices, gun-sights and other up to date radar equipment.

It was the closest inspection that Western experts have ever had of the new Soviet planes.

Today the delegates of the British, American, French and about 25 other nations' air forces were taken on a tour of the Soviet Air Force Engineers' Training Institute and shown three top operational jets with fuselage and wing panels culled away to reveal the internal working parts.

They See Fighters

The Western Air Chiefs were here for Sunday's big Russian air day display.

Western observers spent about 15 minutes going over three machines—the powerful twin-jet all-weather fighter, Yak-25 designated "Flashlight" by NATO, the big single-jet, MIG-19 "Farmer" day interceptor, and the IL-28 twin-jet light bomber "Beagle".

They also saw sectionalised jet engines.

They said they asked many questions but Soviet Air Force officials did not answer all.

'Most Interesting'

Mr Nigel Birch, British Secretary of State for Air, said however "we were shown as much as we could have expected."

General Nathan Twining, United States Air Force Chief of Staff said it was "the most interesting" day since the Western visitors arrived to take part in Soviet Aviation Day celebrations.

The Western visitors, who were not allowed to bring cameras—correspondents were barred—also took particular interest in gun-sights used in the "Farmer" and fire control devices used in machinegun turrets of the big bombers.

Another sectionalised machine they saw was a helicopter but it was termed conventional.

All Western officials were highly impressed with teaching facilities at the Institute.

Wind Tunnels

Named the Nikolai Shukovskiy Aviation Engineering Institute, it is operated directly by the Soviet Air Force and combines the functions of an engineering university and the service of technical training found in Western air forces.

The big two-story building, a couple of thousand students who are drawn from the air force after serving about three or four years. They study there five years.

Western visitors saw six wind tunnels in the Moscow suburb, but expressed the belief that they were purely instructional and not for original research since they were small. —Reuter.

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GRANTHAM SAYS:

40,000 Flee To Hongkong

Calcutta, June 26. The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, said today 40,000 Chinese had crossed the border into Hongkong over the last four months after the Chinese Government eased travel restrictions.

Sir Alexander said he believed this was an "indication that the Communist regime is becoming increasingly unpopular." He said most Hongkong Chinese were anti-Communist, though not necessarily in favour of President Chiang Kai-shek.

PEKING REQUEST

He said the Colonial Office was considering a proposal to open formal relations between Communist China and Hongkong, as distinct from British diplomatic representation in Peking, which is at present representing Hongkong's interests.

He said the development of Hongkong trade with other Far East countries and Africa had helped to make up for the loss of Chinese trade, caused by the United Nations embargo on the shipment of strategic goods to China.

Sir Alexander Grantham is on his way to Rome where he will meet Lady Grantham. They are spending a three and a half months leave in Europe, London and America. —France Press.

Tito Talks To 400,000

Belgrade, June 26. Marshal Tito of Yugoslavia told a mass meeting of 400,000 people in Belgrade today that Yugoslavia's policy was "co-operation between all peoples regardless of their political regimes."

Tito, at present on a visit to Rumania after his trip to the Soviet Union, said Yugoslavia's policy was aimed at preventing a "new catastrophe" and at liquidating the "cold war" which is a danger and an uncertainty. —France Press.

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US HOPES TO KEEP BASES IN ICELAND

Officials Disappointed Over Showing In State Elections

Washington, June 26.

Despite the apparent victory of the opposition forces in Iceland's election, American officials hoped today that the United States would be able to keep its bases there.

There was no official word from the State Department. But US officials expressed hope that the North Atlantic Pact nations would be able to convince Iceland of the need for American forces at the mid-Atlantic NATO base.

Tempered

The officials were disappointed in the showing of the Progressive and Social Democratic Party, which opposed withdrawal of American forces.

The Iceland State Radio predicted that the Progressive and Social Democratic Parties would receive only 25 of the 63 seats in Parliament. But the Communists won eight seats and would support any move to remove the Americans.

Concern here over the outcome of the election was tempered somewhat by the fact that the US-Icelandic defence agreement would enable this country to keep forces in Iceland until early, 1959.

Iceland's importance to Western security could diminish by then because of prospective changes in military techniques. So far this country has not mentioned the influence on Iceland's economy of American forces on the island. But dispatches from Reykjavik indicate they may have some influence in the final outcome.

The issue of keeping American forces in Iceland arose last March when the Icelandic Parliament adopted a resolution calling for withdrawal of foreign defence forces.

On Bomber Route

Military men and diplomats are convinced that Russia would quickly move into an undefended Iceland in wartime. The island is almost directly in the path of one possible bomber approach from Russia to the Northeastern United States. On that ground alone it is considered vital to free world defence. It also dominates Atlantic sea lanes that might be used by enemy submarines.—United Press.

Students Protest About Okinawa

Tokyo, June 26.

College students armed with posters protesting US land requisitioning policies on Okinawa demonstrated before the American Embassy here today.

More than 300 students demanded that Okinawa be returned to Japan, and called for retraction of the price report dealing with requisitioning of land by the US military on the strategic island outpost.

An Embassy secretary told the aroused students he would forward their complaints to US Ambassador John M. Allison.

But the students, apparently unimpressed with the secretary's answer, declared that 200,000 students throughout Japan were "gravely determined to march on" until their objective was achieved. Meanwhile, Government and opposition parties announced

they will take a "supra-parliament" stand on the Okinawan issue. The Government Liberal Democratic Party said the US should halt further requisitioning of land and return all land not in current use by the American Army.

The opposition Socialist Party called for launching a nationwide drive for the return of Okinawa to Japanese control.—United Press.

TAX INFORMERS

Singapore, June 26.

Informers are writing an average of 15 letters a week to the Income Tax Department here following an appeal for help to track down tax evaders. Most writers, an official said, wanted to know what the reward would be before they provided definite information.—China Mail Special.

World's Richest Soldier



A salute from the richest soldier at Sandhurst Military Academy, England, and the world—Officer Cadet Prince Mukarram Jah, 23-year-old heir to the Nizam of Hyderabad. Prince Jah has a private army and the rank of general in his grandfather's kingdom. He also has £200,000 spending money in the bank.—Express Photo.

Yugoslavia Criticises 'Hostile' Vatican

Belgrade, June 26.

The Yugoslav Vice-President, Mr Alexander Rankovic, today criticised the Vatican for "adopting a hostile attitude towards Yugoslavia under the influence of war criminals."

CUSTOMS CHECK ON CUSTOMS

Canberra, June 26.

About 3,000 employees of Australia's Customs Department have been asked to examine their jobs and submit ideas for speeding up work.

The Customs Minister, Mr Frederick Osborne, said that the operation aimed at reducing form-filling and demands for information by Customs and Excise officers from travellers, commerce, and industry.

New Polar Hotel

Copenhagen, June 26.

Because of the increasing importance of the Polar air route from Copenhagen to Los Angeles, the hotel at Sønderstrømsvej, the Greenland staging point, is to be considerably enlarged.

At present the hotel has a capacity of only 40 guests. It is planned to build an hotel with room for 200 guests.

Meanwhile passengers who must stay overnight at Sønderstrømsvej will be accommodated, if necessary, in two barracks made available at the nearby American Air base.—China Mail Special.

Defining a bill on the organisation of police and security organs, Mr Rankovic told Parliament that attempts of some bishops to develop hostile activity against this state had no support among loyal clergy and the faithful.

"The Vatican is exercising a generally negative influence by means of its unconvincing propaganda on the Catholic Church in Yugoslavia, which is accepted without reserve by many news agencies and nearly all Catholic newspapers in individual countries," he stated.

Enemy Activity

Mr Rankovic said he was convinced that this propaganda was the result of hostile work by Cetina (wartime pro-Nazi Independent Croatia) emigrants who still find a refuge in the institutions of the Vatican, both in its action for propaganda towards our country and in its radio stations.

Reviewing "enemy activity" directed at Yugoslavia from abroad after the war, the Yugoslav Vice-President, normally in charge of internal affairs, said that more than 3,000 spies and diversionists organized by Western intelligence services were caught in Yugoslavia in the period from 1945 to 1955.

The number included 2,042 spies and 970 diversionists, mostly recruited among Yugoslav political refugees, he added.—Reuter.

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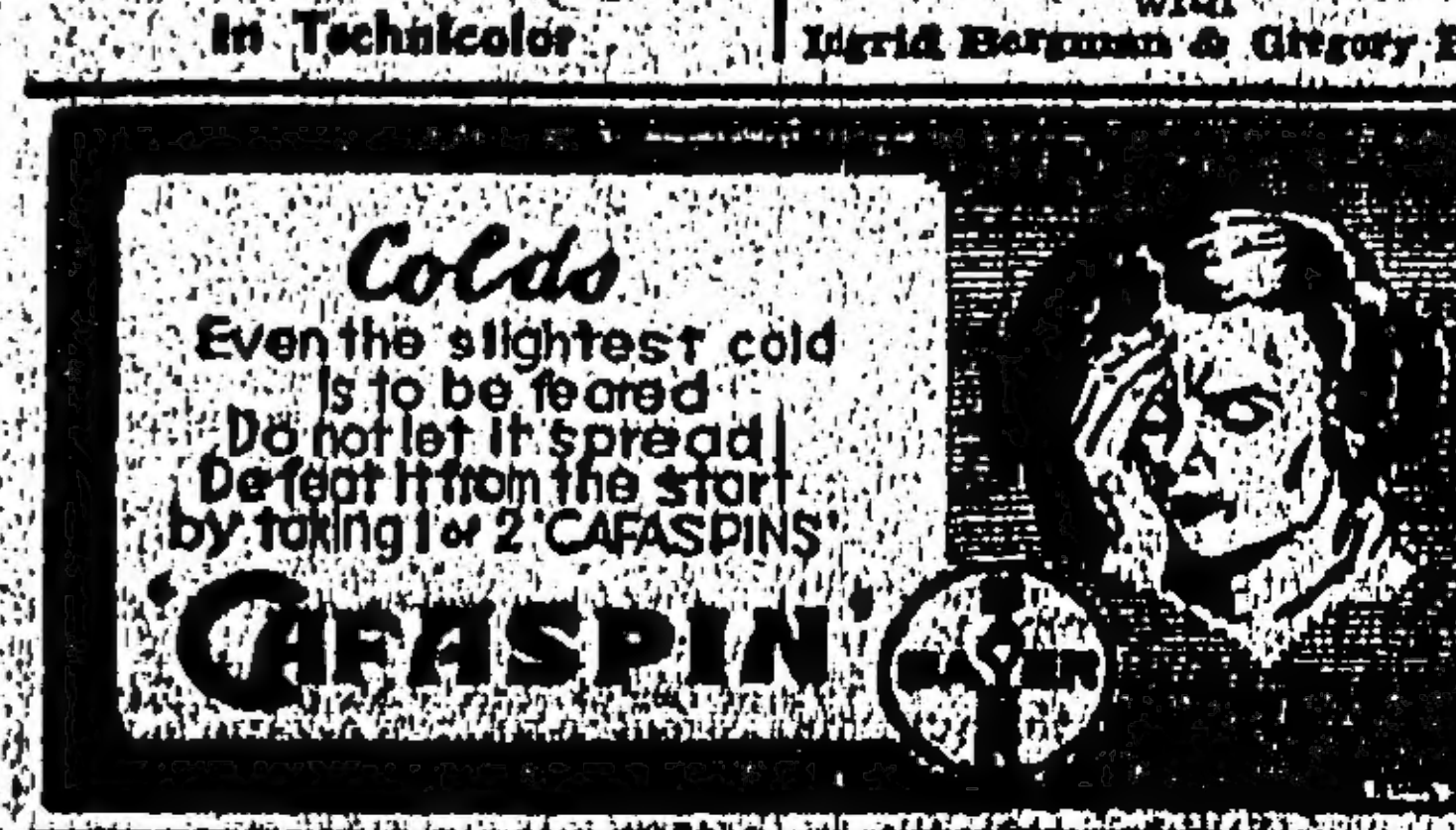
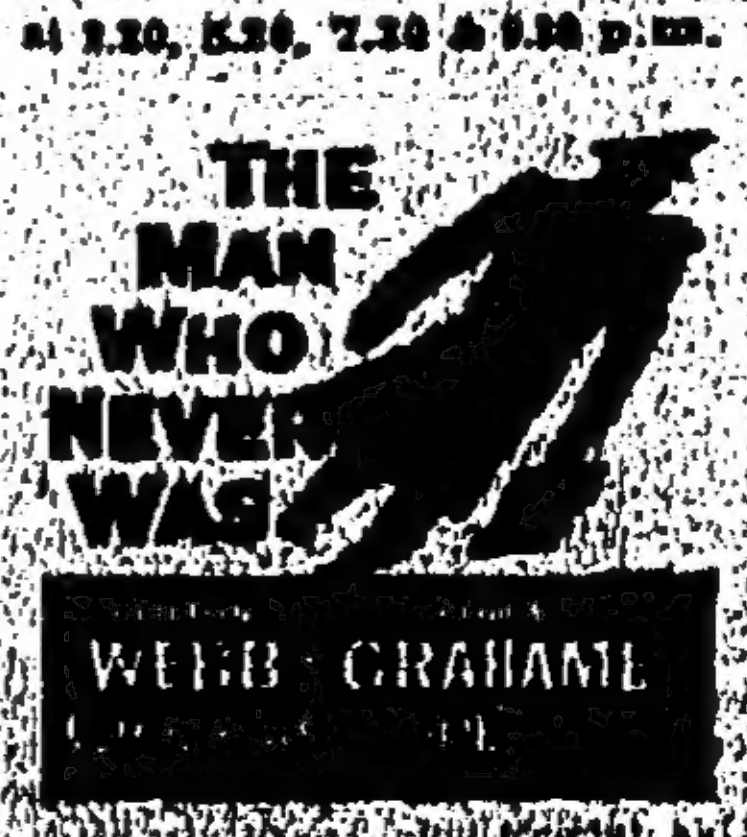
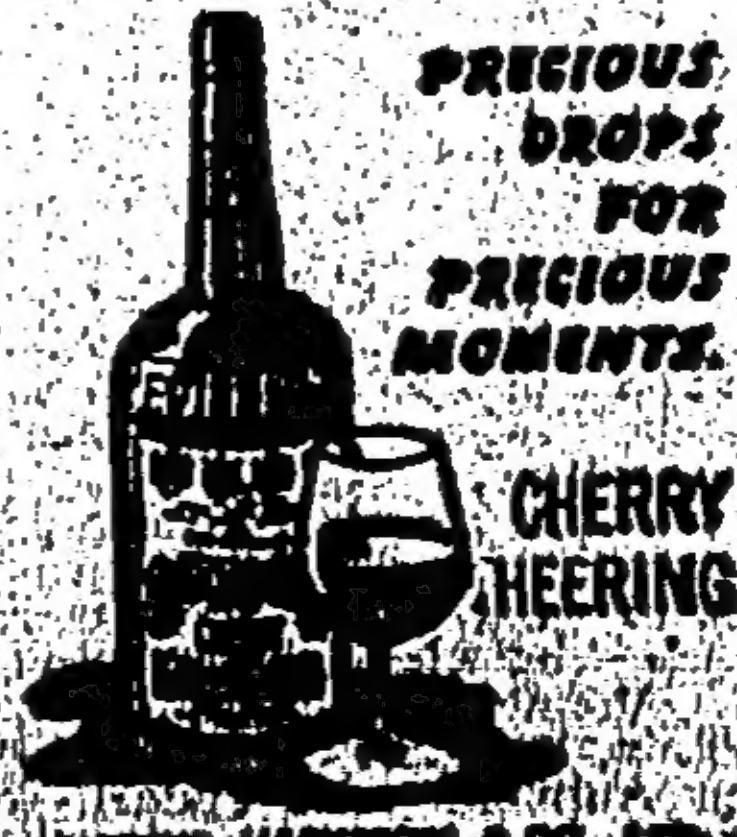
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Russia Avoids Taking Sides In

'Law Of Sea' Ready For United Nations

Geneva, June 26. The United Nations International Law Commission today decided to recommend to the UN General Assembly that a world diplomatic conference should consider the draft of the "Law of the Sea" which the Commission had now completed.

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FINAL DRAFT

The final draft consists of two documents and will be forwarded to the General Assembly in New York next month.

There are some 75 other and countries covering the territorial law for high seas and territorial waters.

It also deals with the question of ownership of the continental shelf and the construction of fisheries.

The 15-member Commission has been five years preparing the draft.

Atom Agency Disagreement Unresolved

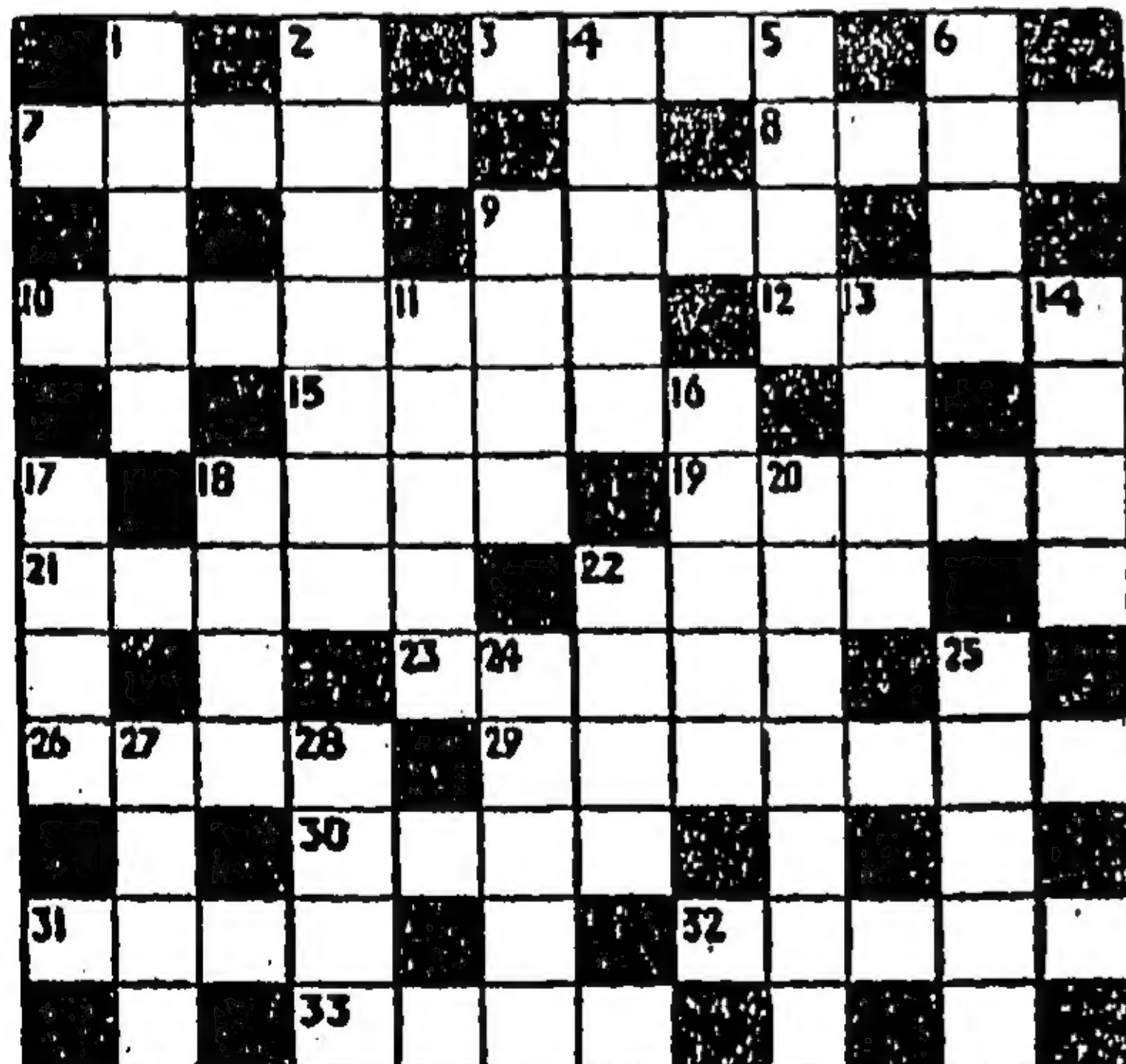
Washington, June 26. A 12-nation meeting here again failed today to resolve disagreement over Chinese representation on the proposed international atomic energy agency.

The group agreed to meet again on Thursday after the Soviet and Czechoslovakian delegates announced they were waiting for instructions from their governments.

The Soviet Union is understood to be calling for the participation of China, instead of the Nationalists in the conference.

But an earlier agreement stipulated that invitations should be issued only to the 87 members of the United Nations or its specialized agencies. China does not belong to any of these organizations.—Reuter.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 3 Stupely (4).
- 7 Felt (5).
- 9 Unfavoured (4).
- 10 Initiated (4).
- 12 Rained walk (7).
- 13 Volcano (4).
- 14 Ward off (6).
- 15 Grows old (4).
- 19 Period (5).
- 21 Governor (5).
- 22 Nimble (4).
- 23 Pigment (5).
- 26 Job (4).
- 28 Bearing (7).
- 30 Bring up (4).
- 31 Wise (4).
- 32 Bunk (5).
- 33 Seven days (4).

DOWN

- 1 Inexperienced (5).
- 2 Curtain (7).
- 4 Drinker (5).
- 5 Naked (4).
- 6 Family group (4).
- 8 Star performers (4).
- 11 Asserts (5).
- 13 System of weights (4).
- 14 Long for (4).
- 16 Lukewarm (5).
- 17 Snare (4).
- 18 In addition (4).
- 20 Lauded (7).
- 22 Box (4).
- 24 Rub out (5).
- 25 Join (4).
- 27 Harvest (4).
- 28 Dejected (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Solace, 7 Echo, 9 Prior, 10 Copro, 11 Romp, 13 Resolution, 15 Vend, 16 Good, 19 Cumbrous, 22 Dile, 24 Grove, 25 Press, 26 Went, 27 Tender, Down: 2 Omis, 3 April, 4 Exelte, 6 Reproves, 8 Sharm, 9 Crono, 12 Pedro, 13 Raged, 14 Obscure, 17 Acorn, 18 Absent, 20 Ripop, 21 Obese, 23 Joy.

Algerian Dispute

By John Hofferan

New York, June 26.

Western diplomats interpreted today's Soviet move for indefinite postponement of discussion by the United Nations Security Council as an attempt to avoid taking sides between the Arab states and France.

The proposal was seen as an attempt to clear the way for Mr. Arkady Sobolev, the Soviet delegate, to obtain when the Council meets on the question whether the issue should be referred to the Council's agenda.

Mr. Sobolev knew from the very start that his postponement proposal would be rejected. Western diplomats said that, having unsuccessfully proposed indefinite postponement, Mr. Sobolev would be able to argue that now it would be the wrong time to place the matter on the agenda and that it would be preferable to await a more propitious time.

Soviet uneasiness about the Arab-Asian move to obtain a Council hearing was seen in the request last week for postponement of the Security Council meeting until today Mr. Sobolev said then that he needed more time to obtain instructions.

Today he said that as the question was an important one the Council members should be given more time to consider the situation and collect the necessary information.

The Western powers, at one in their determination to block the Soviet move, had no difficulty in pushing Mr. Sobolev's proposal to a quick vote, thus clearing the way for debate and decision on placing the matter on the agenda.

The Western diplomats declared to assess immediately the possible effects of the Soviet maneuvering of the Arab states. But they had the prospect had been opened up that there would be only one vote in favor of postponement. Algeria on the agenda that of the Yugoslavians gave a possible pointer to its future action by abstaining on the Soviet postponement motion. So did Nationalist China.

Strenuous Efforts

The reason for the Soviet move to avoid showing its hand in the Council was believed to be in the recent negotiations conducted in Moscow with the French prime minister and

Orphan To Teach Climbers Nepalese

Kathmandu, June 26. Lieutenant Colonel Euliano Barria, leader of the unsuccessful Argentine expedition to Dhaulagiri (26,795 feet), plans to take home an 18-year-old Nepalese orphan boy, Shampu, to teach the Argentine mountaineers Nepalese.

Shampu, who comes from the Buddhist town of Tukhe in northern Nepal, was picked up at Tukhe valley between Dhaulagiri and Annapurna by Argentine climbers while returning from their attempt on Dhaulagiri.

Shampu has acquired some pidgin Spanish and can now discuss Buddhism with the mountaineers.—China Mail Special.

Canada's Latest Marathon Is A 'Prisonathon'

Ottawa, June 26.

The last of Canada's prolonged craze for marathon contests, the prisonathon, has come from a Montreal judge.

First came the "Rockathons," rock chair endurance contests designed to while away the long winters. These were followed by "Pingpongathons," team affairs in which a pair of players attempted to keep the ball going back and forth across the net for as long as possible. And then the "Prisonathon," a tedious affair in which the muscular kept on playing until his own strength and his henchmen's nerves were worn out.

BIG IDEAS

It was this latter type of marathon which drew the anger of Mr. Justice Armand Cloutier, of Montreal.

The defendant was a singer, Paul Denis, who was found guilty of obtaining money by false pretences from Mrs. Bernadette Neveu, a widow of 1770 Prefontaine Street, Montreal.

According to Mrs. Neveu, Denis had big ideas for her son, Jean Louis Neveu, a 19-year-old pianist and accordion player. He proposed to organize a prisonathon in which young Neveu should be the central figure, while he himself sang to the accompaniment of piano and saxophones.

For various expenses, for which he was unable to account satisfactorily to the court, Denis extracted 350 dollars from the pianist's mother. Denis was found guilty and remanded for sentence.

When, in the course of evidence, the word prisonathon cropped up, Judge Cloutier demanded to know what it meant. Ovide Leclerc, clerk of the court, explained that it was a type of marathon contest.

'WON'T MISS'

When it came to the summing up, Mr. Justice Armand Cloutier declared: "Well, may be we could not organize a prisonathon, either. But we can organize a 'Prisonathon' right here: and we won't miss it." Denis was given three weeks in which to prepare the money, failing which it would be imprisonment for him.—China Mail Special.

Mystic Charm Pamphlets To Be Stopped

Nairobi, June 26.

The Government of India is doing all it can to stop a traffic in dishonest, obscene and salacious pamphlets to Kenya, the Chief Secretary, Mr. R. C. Turnbull, told the Legislative Council here.

He said that he had had discussions on the subject with the Commissioner for India, Mr. Prem Krishna, who felt that the good name of India might be jeopardised by this traffic. It was not easy to stop, however, because the central agencies dealing in the pamphlets worked from some kind of accommodation address.

FIVE CATEGORIES

Recently Nairobi police had seized more than 1,000 pamphlets in a shop.

Mr. N. F. Harris, member for Nairobi South, said that the pamphlets fell into five categories—those "purely sexual in nature," the pseudo-medical, mystic, drama, get-rich-quick schemes and apocryphal.

He added that all the pamphlets he had seen came from India except for one from South Africa, and suggested that representations should be made for the withdrawal of the Indian and South African trade commissions from the traffic committee.—China Mail Special.

SOEKARNO IN SWITZERLAND

Zurich, June 26. President Achmed Soekarno of Indonesia, accompanied by the Foreign Minister and a suite of some 20 people arrived here today by air from Germany.

The President, who is staying in Switzerland until Sunday, will be received by the Swiss Government in Bern tomorrow. On Friday, he visits the United Nations European headquarters in Geneva.—Reuter.



These 13 finalists in the British Overseas Airways Corporation's 'Miss Speedbird' competition, which is open to girls in BOAC employment in every part of the world, take time out to relax and are photographed during a sightseeing tour of the British capital last week. First prize in the competition is a globe-circling air trip, plus 25 guineas cash.—Express Photo.

Trouble Brewing Among Korean Monks

Seoul, June 26.

TROUBLE threatened to erupt again today in the smouldering battle between married and unmarried monks for control of the Republic of Korea's Buddhist church.

Both the celibate and married factions of the church called for meetings next week to renew the fight for the church's 1,400 temples in South Korea.

Married and unmarried monks and nuns clashed last August

in brawls which resulted in at least one death and numerous injuries before the celibate group won control with the help of President Syngman Rhee.

The Seoul district court, however, ruled this month invalid a resolution passed by a joint meeting of celibate and married monks to elect married monks to religious leadership to the unmarried priests.

The married monks, who have been compelled to stay out of their temples, recently changed their opponents with "misadministration and corruption."

Unmarried monks will meet next Thursday and the married monks on Saturday to discuss new developments. The new Education Minister, Choi Kyu Num, said that his Ministry will maintain a hands-off attitude in the religious fight.—United Press.

5,000 Stateless Seamen

London, June 26.

About 5,000 stateless seamen are forced to spend long years at sea, without the right to land in any nation, Dr. D. J. van Hengen Goedhart, United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, reported at a London Press conference today.

Steps had been taken, he said, to give such seamen the right to live in a country and whose flag they had served continuously for three years.—France-Press.

Missionaries Commemorated

Nairobi, June 26.

The exploits of two German missionaries, the first white men reported to have seen two of Africa's greatest mountains, Mount Kilimanjaro, and Mount Kenya, have been commemorated by two stained glass windows in All Saints Cathedral here.

The two, Johann Ludwig Krapf and Johann Lehmann, were traders in Basile and came to Africa to work for the British Church Missionary Society. Krapf arrived in 1844 and Lehmann later.

It was Lehmann who first saw Mount Kilimanjaro, Africa's highest mountain, and he recorded in his diary for November 10, 1848, that the snow on Kilimanjaro was like a dazzling white cloud. But his African guide merely pointed and said, in Swahili, "haidi" (cold).

Reports of the discovery of the two mountains were treated by geographers in Europe as lies, until confirmed by later travellers.—China Mail Special.

ZIONISTS RELEASED

Vicenza, June 26.

Two Hungarian Zionist leaders have been released from gaol recently, reliable sources said here today.

The sources, quoting reports received from Budapest, identified the two Jewish officials as Eugene Katz and Georg Schein.

The two men, both prominent leaders of the Hungarian Zionist organization, were arrested by the Hungarian secret police in 1953. They were never publicly tried or convicted.—United Press.

Yugoslavia & Rumania To Encourage Disarmament

Belgrade, June 26.

Yugoslavia and Rumania will actively encourage and support all efforts towards disarmament, according to a joint communique issued today in Bucharest at the end of President Tito's official visit there.

The communique said the talks between President Tito and Rumanian Government leaders were held in a spirit of cordiality, sincerity and mutual understanding.

It added that both governments were convinced that a policy of active peaceful co-existence between all states was the only way to strengthen and develop international co-operation.

Within UN

They also felt that unrestricted trade and stronger cultural exchanges were the basis of progress and better world understanding.

The communique said both states would support economic and technical assistance to underdeveloped regions on a basis of full equality within the United Nations.

Both countries stressed that their relations, which had been "gravely perturbed" in the recent past, had improved greatly and were continuing to develop and expand, the communique added.

Grand Welcome

Both countries were also considering the development of wider economic co-operation and had in mind the conclusion of a long-term trade agreement.

They also agreed to stimulate the development of cultural exchanges and decided to conclude a cultural agreement.

The communique was signed by Marshal Tito and Mr. Chivu Stoica, Rumanian Prime Minister.

President Tito is due to return to Belgrade tomorrow evening, and the city has prepared a grand welcome for him in front of the railway station. The Yugoslav leader left here on May 31 for a three-week official visit to the Soviet Union and a short visit to Rumania.

Huge Significance

A proclamation issued by the district committee of the Socialist Alliance of the Working People today said Yugoslavia had received "with joy and satisfaction" the news about the results of Marshal Tito's talks in Russia.

The historical conclusion of political talks had a huge significance for the relaxation of world tension and for the victory of the principles of active co-existence, the proclamation added.—Reuter.

SOVIET AIR ACADEMY IMPRESSES

Moscow, June 26.

General Nathan Twining, US Air Force Chief-of-Staff, today described the Zhukovsky air engineering academy, which foreign officers visited as "a very fine, interesting institution, which gives both theoretical and practical training."

He said the academy consists of some 2,000 officers who return to the Air Force after five years of training there.

The foreign visitors, escorted by Air Marshal Konstantin Vershinin, former chief of the Soviet air force, saw much laboratory and classroom equipment, including motors and sections of Soviet fighter planes. They also saw three superguns and three low speed wind tunnels, as well as work on meteorology and bomber firing systems.

The foreign observers seemed impressed by the excellence of Soviet training and machinery. British Air Minister Nigel Birch said: "We were shown as much as we could expect to see."—France-Press.

Robot Science

Namur, June 26.

Robot science will be the keystone of the second industrial revolution, Belgian professor Georges Boulanger told the world's first international robot science congress here today.

He told more than 700 delegates from 22 nations that the first industrial revolution developed the use of natural energy. The second would prepare the relief of man by the machine in the activities of the mind.

The delegates will hear nearly 100 papers on all aspects of cybernetics (robot science), including industrial automation.—China Mail Special.

BEA SHOULD BE THANKFUL TO GREEKS

Athens, June 26.

A Greek Government spokesman tonight issued a formal statement rejecting a British protest over the "hissing" of a British European Airways airliner by Greek fighters earlier this month.

The spokesman said the Greek air force ought to be thanked for its action as the airliner flew out of the international corridor, which was dangerous.

He said that British airliners four times flew out of the international route between June 14 and 18.

The spokesman said the fighter interception of the airliner was "fully legal" according to North Atlantic Treaty Organisation regulations.

He denied the fighters followed the British European Airways airliner at a "dangerously close distance" or that the passengers suffered hardships owing to an investigation after landing at Athens.—Reuter.

Revolutionary Oil Cracking Method

Paris, June 26.

The Azerbaijan oil refinery scientific research laboratories have introduced a revolutionary method of oil cracking by nuclear radiation, the official Soviet Tass news agency reported today.

The agency said the making of petrol by the new method had been achieved in normal temperatures not exceeding 20 to 30 degrees centigrade without raising pressure and without using catalysts.

The refining was based on the use of great energy. The strength of the radiation entirely replaced thermal energy action and pressure and contributed to the transformation of oil into petrol.

Tass added that the petrol produced by this means was of better quality than the ordinary petrol. The new process allowed an acceleration in the refining process and lessened expenditure in the construction and exploitation of refining equipment and eased the tasks of the workers.—France-Press.

Anglo-Libyan Agreement

London, June 26.

Talks between Britain and Libya which began on June 18, ended today in complete agreement, a Foreign Office communique announced today.

The talks covered Libya's financial, military and cultural problems, and also dealt with Middle Eastern questions, said the communique.

Libyan Premier Mustafa Ben Halim, who headed the Libyan delegation, was due to leave London this evening for Paris where he will stay three days before returning to his country.

The detailed results of the talks will be announced by him before Parliament on his return to Tripoli, an authoritative source said.—France-Press.

Reflectors On Horses' Tails

Wellington, June 26.

Horses decorated with pieces of reflecting tape will shortly be seen on New Zealand roads at night, if a recommendation by the New Zealand Pony Club Association is followed by club members.

In view of the extreme danger from motorists to children riding and leading horses during the hours of darkness, the Association has urged all club members to use reflectors.

Types of reflectors, in the form of arm and hat bands for riders, and nose and tail bands for horses, have been tested with great success.—China Mail Special.

Pretoria, June 26.

About 20 lbs of gallinule and dogfish—enough explosive to wreck a number of houses—was discovered behind a house at Fonthill, near Pretoria, by a 15-year-old boy, Franz Kramm, said.—China Mail Special.

NATHANIEL CUBBINS

AS there will be many foreign visitors to Britain this summer, a few hints for those who may arrive with preconceived ideas about us may be helpful.

OUR HONESTY: Our favourite delusion about ourselves, derived no doubt from the old saying "An Englishman's word is his bond."

As a matter of fact among the few people in the country who will pay without a contract or bond are the bookmakers.

It should also be pointed out that the police spend most of their time chasing thieves in fast cars or over roof tops. Housewives spend a lot of their time checking tradesmen's bills, and tradesmen spend a lot of time checking invoices from wholesalers.

In other words, nobody trusts anybody.

OUR FOOD: This is extremely good if you like a lot of water with your vegetables.

Incidentally the water is full of health - moving salts. Foreigners take this in soups. We like to see the stuff with the meat floating in it.

★ **OUR MODESTY:** Another delusion. The visitor will discover to his amazement that the modest, self-effacing British consider themselves to be the finest people in the world. He will also discover that the finest British people live in different parts of the island. In England, the finest people will be English. In Wales, they will be Welsh. In Northern Ireland, they will be Northern Irish.

In Scotland, where modesty is a national vice, they just tell you there is nobody on earth like them.

Unless you are just leaving the country it is best to agree to our PRIDE. Contrary to general belief, you can't address most anybody in Britain except members of the House of Commons and the House of

Lords, though if the lords get much poorer they may take tips one day.

It was once said of the French that even the President was upable if the tip was big enough.

This could not happen in Britain because we do not have a president.

Only a Governoff

FOR readers who liked my lapse into the old-fashioned long "n" that looks like an "r" here is a fragment of a novel "Only a Governoff" written in that manner.

The year is 1850 and the scene the library of the ancestral estate of a widower, the Marquess of Gravy, whose eldest son, Fybil, is making a puff at the orphaned governoff, Fybil.

"Unhand me, sir," said Fybil, her soft, calm voice belying the bluff that sufficed her pale cheeks and the tumult within her. "Although I am only a governoff, I am a woman entitled to your respect even if you are the son of a marquess or your forbear the fount of a thousand earls."

"Oh, Miss Fybil," said Fybil, his voice thick with emotion. "Far be it from me to take advantage of a fatherless female, but the hot blood of the Grays runs through my veins and I must declare my passion."

"Then, sir," said Fybil, "for pity's sake declare it at a safe distance."

★ But Fybil's arm was already round her waist, and his ardent kisses rained upon her regardless of her protestations.

"Methinks you are a little overfired, sir," Fybil managed to gasp out before swooning in his arms.

At that moment the door opened to disclose the furious countenance of the marquess.

"You daftard," he said to his son in thunderous tones. "You wicked daftard."

"But, sir," said his son, "I have the most honourable intentions towards Miss Fybil. I hope to marry her so that one day she will be the Marchioness of Gravy."

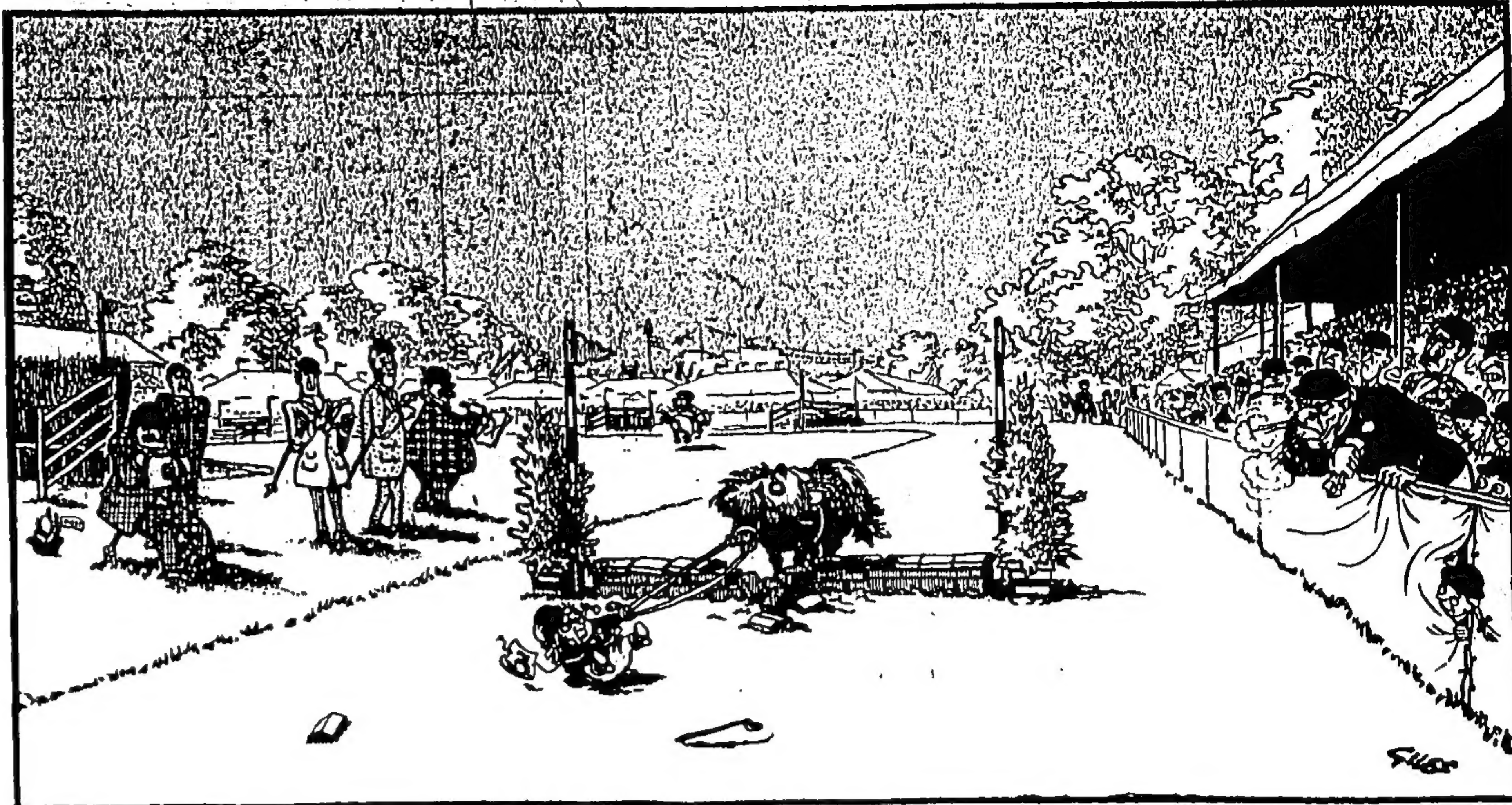
"Fybil will become a marchioness sooner than you think," riposted his father. "We are to be married tomorrow."

"Can this be true, Fybil?"

Fybil's voice sounded incredulous.

"Yet," said Fybil, "at I do not consider your intention honourable; I thought I would make sure of becoming a marchioness by marrying your father. A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush," added the simple governoff, swooning in the arms of the marquess.

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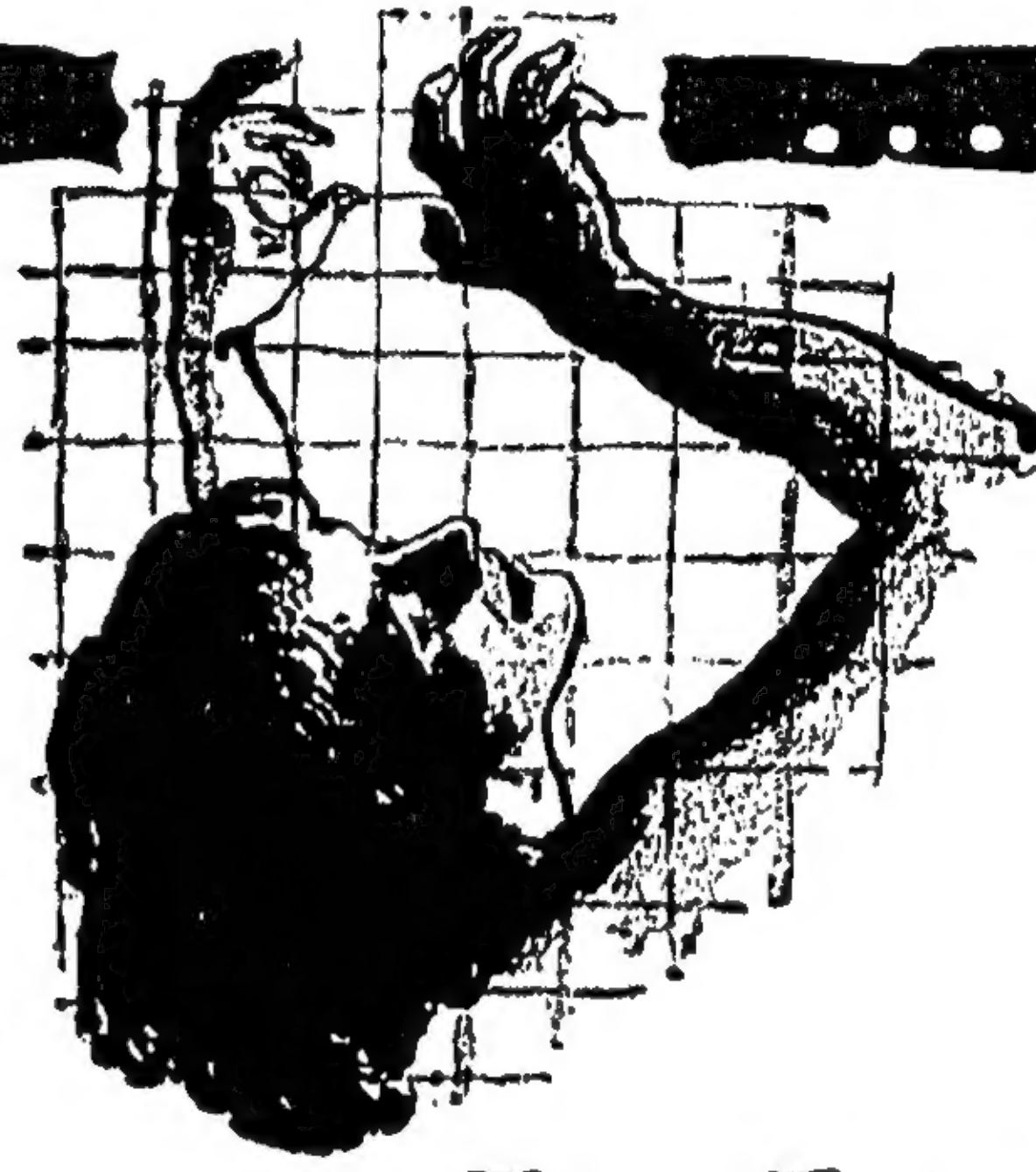


"We can't all be Pat Smythe, Miss Ringbone."

THE BIG WEB... fact and fiction

MURDER... on the eve of the Interpol conference in Vienna. It's fact and fiction both. WHO killed Johannsen, a shy delegate from Sweden? And WHY was he clutching three black hairs and a piece of paper bearing a code? C.I.D. girl Fraulein Annaleise, trailing a mysterious blonde, may be about to find out....

It is not the first time they've attacked me as I sleep!



At that moment I rolled from under the bed and climbed to my feet. I saw a figure in front of me and made a grab at it. But I was too late. The figure jumped over me, raced for the french windows and vanished over the balcony.

By the time I had got my bearings my assailant was clean away. All I could see, running swiftly across the clearing beside the Vienna Opera House, was a little figure, and I'm damned whether I could have sworn in a court of law if the figure belonged to a man or a woman.

But when I turned on the lights in my room there was a clocking it could be definitely certain of.

Whoever had been there had been trying to kill me. The sheet over the pillow I had stuffed into my bed was ripped wide open and lying beside it was a knife. If I had been where the pillow lay I should have been stabbed to death.

I locked the doors of my room and closed the windows and climbed into bed. And ever since then I have been waiting for a call from Annaleise.

She has not been in touch with me yet. Nor with her headquarters.

But if C.I.D. Vienna is not worried, why should I be? "Fraulein Wittke has already informed us," they told me, "that she is likely to be out of touch—and that she will contact us as soon as she is able. It is a usual thing."

★ ★ ★ So all this week-end I have sat and waited. I went with the Interpol delegates to a gala performance of "Don Giovanni" at the Opera House and hardly heard a note of the music.

This morning, I was sitting disconsolately on the terrace of my hotel when a man in a light suit came up to me and said cheerfully: "Well, what happened to you? We had a date to meet and talk yesterday, remember? Couldn't you make it?"

It was true. I had arranged to meet and talk with O'Brien, the Australian Interpol delegate, and thrash out some mutual problems. He was a sympathetic man; I was in a mood to confide what was worrying me—and I told him all I knew. I told him about the kidnapping and murder of Johannsen, I told him about the blonde and about the killer who had been with her.

★ ★ ★ I EVEN mentioned the clues we had found in Johannsen's dead hand, the human hairs, the night-club locket, and the code.

"Tell me about this code," O'Brien said. "How did it read?"

"That's the trouble," I told him. "It doesn't seem to be like any code we ever came across before, and we can't break it down. All Johannsen wrote were three groups of letters and numbers."

"What were they?" asked O'Brien. I took out my notebook, and said: "214-23-227."

O'Brien said: "For heaven's sake, why didn't you ask me about this before. I can tell you what that code means."

I thought for a moment and then added: "Yes and I think I know why only Johannsen could decipher it."

MORE TOMORROW

By PERCY HOSKINS and LEONARD MOSLEY

TODAY... CHAPTER 4

I WASN'T too alarmed, of course, when I realised that Fraulein Annaleise had disappeared somewhere inside the vast swimming pools and steam rooms of the Diana Baths.

I knew, despite her youth and good looks, she was just as efficient in her work as any of her male work colleagues on the plain-clothes staff of the Vienna C.I.D.

I figured it out this way. When I pointed out the blonde going into the Diana Baths and said: "There is the woman who

helped to kidnap and kill little Johannsen," Annaleise must have realised at once what would happen.

The blonde, to escape from me, would automatically make for that section of the baths where a man couldn't follow. So Annaleise had gone after her instead.

★ ★ ★

I DECIDED my best plan was to wait. I bought a ticket of admission and went inside. I left a note with the attendant (plus a large tip) to tell Annaleise that I would be waiting for her.

That was seven in the evening. For the next two hours I explored the vaporous in-

credibilities of the largest steam baths in the world. I swam in the vast pool where they manufacture artificial waves to simulate the impression of being at the seaside. I plunged into cold fresh-water baths and waded through warm sea-water baths.

I explored the steam-rooms, the dry rooms, the gymnasium, and massage parlours, the needle showers and the hot air tanks. I even peeped into that part of the Diana Baths where Austrian enthusiasts for "nature culture" meet to swim and talk without the benefit even of a bikini—and I thought how silly they all looked sitting like that at tables drinking coffee.

Just before nine o'clock, feeling cleaner and lighter, I hardly happier, I came back to the entrance hall of the Diana Baths and asked for news of Fraulein Annaleise.

A new attendant had taken the place of the burly man. He insisted on verifying my name from my passport. And then he handed me a note. It was brief but reassuring.

RENE MacCOLL'S RED CHINA NOTEBOOK

RED SCOWLS TURN TO SMILES FOR LAST-DITCH BRITON

A WAVE of smiles, friendliness and courtesy from the Chinese has recently enveloped the startled British business community, the remnants of the once tremendous commercial and banking complex which not so long ago did multi-million pound business in Shanghai.

Until 1949, when Mao's armies swept into this huge city—one of the world's biggest, with 6,000,000 population—several thousand British were in what was then called "the Paris of the Orient."

SQUEEZED, SMASHED Today, Britain's "commercial position" there is a squeezed and smashed fragment of what it was. And anyone suggesting that the Shanghai of 1956 bears the slightest resemblance to Paris would be looked at very strangely indeed.

When I was in Shanghai last in 1954 there were still around 300 to 400 British in Shanghai. Now the total is down to a bare

100—and of these only a handful were born in Britain. But the difference is that whereas two years ago the British were still getting really tough treatment from the Chinese, today it is a transformation scene.

Not long ago the policeman who once a month visits every British resident was harsh and contemptuous. Officials went in for desk-pounding and deliberate rudeness. No travel was allowed. Many Britons, called "responsible persons," were kept virtual prisoners in China.

MAGIC CHANGE

The Chinese Communist doctrine of the "responsible person" means that one man has to accept ultimate responsibility for seeing that his firm's assets are completely liquidated in favour of the Chinese. The buildings handed over and the last penny extorted before, after endless palaver and documentation, he is at last allowed to leave the country.

Suddenly the change is magic. One long-term British resident was asked to tea with the local police to protect the other afternoon and urged in the gentlest way to use his influence in favour of "Sino-British harmony and peace."

Travel restrictions have lifted and Britons can again visit holiday resorts. As two of them were leaving by train for one of these resorts recently the train guard bustled in and sternly told two Chinese in the same compartment to leave instantly so that four British friends may enjoy their journey in peace.

When did this extraordinary change come about? Most British people say it began during the visit of B and K to Britain—and was speeded up when Britain announced she intended to revise the schedule of embargoed goods to China.

And who is around still to enjoy this unlooked-for change for the better?

FORSYTH: THE SCOT

Easily the most remarkable is Alan Forsyth, a red mountaineer Scot, who returned to Shanghai in 1946 after Japanese imprisonment. Forsyth, a character, a scoundrel, a charmer, a scoundrel, agreed to represent other firms who wanted to pull their own top men out of Shanghai. At one time was "responsible person" for 14 different firms. This entailed an enormous amount of red tape in both senses of red—and Forsyth passed through some fairly depressing periods as the complicated exchanges dragged on.

Now, under the new dispensation it looks as if he is almost out of the wood and may be home by the end of this summer.

I met some of the British colony in the RAF club, founded by William McEwan, of the Molokai shipping concern, who expects to stay indefinitely.

DULL CITY

The club has all the right things—a huge propeller over the bar, RAF pennants, a coloured photograph of the Queen, and mixed grill for lunch served by Chinese who were old-time stewards in the Royal Navy.

But the fact remains that behind the new Chinese attitude and all the loosening-up, Britain has lost a huge commercial, banking, and real estate property and, in many cases, has not only received no compensation, but has been forced to pay through the nose for the privilege of handing it over.

And "the Paris of the Orient"? Once a rip-roaring party, it is now so dull and sedate that the crowds of British ships often do not bother to go ashore, though they are given the run of the town. "Dida," the last of the night clubs, was closed down in 1954.

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THE SECOND TEST

KEITH MILLER'S GREAT PERFORMANCE WILL LONG BE REMEMBERED

London, June 26.

Australia, the side that had been unable to win a single match against the counties, humbled England at Lord's this afternoon when they cantered to an easy 185 run victory.

It was their first triumph in this country since 1948. Even now the result is only slowly sinking into the general public who had gathered in their thousands at this Mecca of cricket to see and hail an England win.

Instead, they witnessed an Australian victory in the shape of a truly magnificent performance by the 36-year-old Australian all-rounder, Keith Miller, who ended the match with the magnificent analysis of ten wickets for 152 runs.

From the start of the day's play, the tourists were right on top. Johnson, regardless of runs, hurled his pace attack on Cowdrey and Watson with a menacing arc of eight fieldsmen behind the batsmen. At one stage in the morning's play, Burge at suicide point was no more than four feet from Cowdrey.

The English batsmen were mesmerised by Johnson's aggressive tactics and instead of hitting the ball and looking for runs, allowed themselves to

be beguiled and tricked into a defensive approach.

CLEAN BOWLED

Only 15 runs had been added before Watson played at Miller, missed and was clean bowled. He had made 18 and like Grayson had notched his fourth consecutive failure in as many Test innings this season. Cowdrey, plainly intimidated by the close proximity of Burge to the bat, complained to his captain.

May spoke to Johnson and at the end of the over, Burge re-

tired to a somewhat more sheltered position squarer to the bat. But the move proved to have an unsettling effect on Cowdrey's play and in his next over he was bowled by Burge.

May was now joined by Bailey and these two played the only sound wicket of the day. Waiting for the right ball to hit, they nevertheless pushed the score along at a very reasonable rate, but shortly before lunch, Bailey, who had played admirably for his 18 runs, snatched at a ball outside the off stump and was well caught by Harvey behind the stumps off Archer.

The Australians were jubilant and with reason, for not even Peter May possesses the sticking and defensive qualities of the England all-rounder. At lunch the score was 153 for five wickets and Australia was well on top.

After lunch, Evans and May soon went down to a catch by Langley behind the stumps, his seventh victim in this match, and May to a similar fate a few minutes later, but not until he had hit his third half-century of the series.

Miller and Archer then proceeded to mop up the remnants of the England tail and in a further 20 minutes all was over, only Truman offering any resistance.

The last five wickets had contributed 32 runs in 40 minutes. It was a sorry performance by the England batsmen on a wicket that gave the faster bowlers only a moderate amount of assistance.

DECIDING FACTOR

The lessons of the Second Test are clear. The Australians are a very much stronger side than they have generally been believed to be, and in their formidable phalanx of all-rounders possess what may well prove to be the deciding factor in the whole series.

Of Miller's bowling no praise can be too high. For over two days he has borne the brunt of the Australian attack and it was he who on both occasions broke the back of the England batting. Johnson and his men can sit back and watch the England selectors search again as they seek so desperately to strengthen their batting department.

While Australia can approach the Third Test match with very much the same team, with the possible return of Lindwall for Crawford, England will almost certainly have to make three or four changes. Both Grayson and Watson, but particularly the former, have failed so often that they must be considered very doubtful for the next Test.

Statham and Wardle too had disappointing matches and with both Tyson and Lock likely to be fit are almost certain to be dropped.

It has been advanced by certain critics that modern cricket has failed to produce the personalities of the golden age of the game, when Hammond, Bradman and Pontifex dominated the Test scene.

But in Miller, perhaps the greatest all-rounder of all time, the Australians have produced a personality and a player fit to hold his own with any cricketer in the world.

Whether it be with the bat or with the ball, this amazing man has it within his power to swing a match almost single-handed.

If the Lord's Test has witnessed an Australian victory, it is the individual performance of Keith Miller that will live in the minds of those who saw it. —France-Press.

FRANCE TAKES FIRST THREE IN GOLD CUP



French-trained Macip, nearest camera, is shown winning the £11,545 Gold Cup on June 21, from two other French horses, Bewitched III and Cllichy. This is the third big event of the British racing season that has seen no English-trained horse in the first three past the post. Other two were the Derby and Oaks.—Express Photo.

WIMBLEDON CHAMPIONSHIPS

American Negress Is Personality Girl On Number Two Court

London, June 26.

Defending Champion Miss Louise Brough, of Beverly Hills, California, swept into the third round of the Women's Singles at Wimbledon today by overwhelming 16-year-old Miss Jean Forbes, of Cape Province, South Africa by 6-0, 6-0.

In addition to being drawn against the reigning champion and having to start the day's Centre Court programme Miss Forbes fell heavily during the sixth game which reduced her to half speed for the rest of the match.

Miss Brough seldom made a mistake and thus have a wonderful chance to win the title for the fifth time since the war.

Miss Beverly Feltz, from California, who finished runner-up to Miss Brough last year and is seeded to meet her again in the final, also came up against a player making her first appearance at Wimbledon. She was Miss Pilar Barri, leading Spanish player from Barcelona. Miss Barri put up a good fight but the powerful driving of the American was strong and Miss Feltz won 6-4, 6-3.

NEAR TO DEFEAT

Third seeded Miss Angela Mortimer, the highest seeded British player at Wimbledon since the war, came near to defeat against 39-year-old Mrs. Thelma Long, former Australian Champion, before winning her first round game 6-1, 4-6 and 6-3.

Miss Long, always a difficult player to beat, showed remarkable powers of retrieving and twice broke through with her own service to follow in the ground stroke standing in the final games just carried her home.

Mr. Harry Truman, former President of the United States, and Mrs. Truman, were among the crowd of 20,000.

The remarkable run of the fourth seeded Miss Althea Gibson appears to have made the American Negress from Harlem, the personality girl of Wimbledon judging by the huge crowds which thronged around the number two show court to see her beat Miss Edie Bunting of Germany.

In winning 6-4, 6-1 to reach the second round, Miss Gibson who is 28 and is nearly six feet tall, mixed spells of controlled power tennis with some loose shots. Her 16-year-old opponent, put up a splendid fight.

Two British seeded players, Miss Angela Buxton and Miss Shirley Bloomer, had straight set victories in the second round.

A start was made to the Men's Doubles event, and the top seeded Australians Lew Hoad and Ken Rosewall had an easy win over a Canadian pair.

But it was two young Australians making their first ap-

pearance at Wimbledon who stole the limelight. This couple, Bob Mark (18) and Rod Laver (17), took the French Davis Cup players Jean Claude Molinari and Pierre Darmon to 71 games before losing a marathon five-setter which lasted two hours 40 minutes.

The Australian youngsters showed their fine fighting qualities by saving no less than 14 match points, and actually broke through to lead 7-6 in the deciding set.—Reuter.

THE RESULTS

The following were results of matches played in the Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships.

Men's Doubles—First Round
K. Nielsen and T. Ullrich (Denmark) beat G. Nulloy and B. Robinson (United States) 6-4, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2.
M. Anderson and R. Emerson (Australia) beat M. Meyer and J. O'Brien (Australia) 6-1, 6-0, 4-6, 6-4.
J. Brichant and G. Mead (Belgium) beat I. Dorman (United States) and A. Vieira (Brazil) walkover.
J. Molinari and P. Darmon (France) beat R. Laver and R. Mark (Australia) 6-3, 4-6, 6-4, 12-14, 9-7.
W. Knight and R. Wilson (Britain) beat O. G. Garrido (Cuba) and S. Holberg (Denmark) 6-1, 6-2, 6-3.

Women's Singles—First Round
Miss G. Woadgate (Britain) beat Miss J. Knodel (United States) 6-3, 6-2.
Miss A. Gibson (United States) beat Miss E. Bunting (Germany) 6-4, 6-2.
Miss L. Hood (Australia) beat Miss G. Woadgate (Britain) 6-3, 3-6, 6-2.
Mrs D. Knodel (United States) beat Miss S. Waters (Britain) 6-0, 6-2.

Women's Doubles—First Round
H. Richardson and Victor Seixas (US) beat Jean Borotra and M. Belkhouja (France) 6-3, 6-4, 6-4.
D. Candy (Australia) and R. Perry (US) beat G. Woadgate (Australia) and H. Sweeney (US) 6-3, 6-1, 6-2.

S. Giammaiva and G. Shea (US) beat J. Blackford and J. Fleitz (US) 6-3, 6-2, 6-4.
The first round Men's Doubles match between Britain's J. Barrett and G. Pals, and Canada's D. Fontana and J. Plickett of Britain, was postponed until tomorrow because of the lack of time.

TOMORROW'S GAMES

Play tomorrow will comprise chiefly of second round Men's Singles matches. These will include a match between Australia's A. Cooper and Sven Davidson of Sweden on the centre court. Lewis Hoad of Australia will meet South Africa's T. Fancutt on the same court.

Number one court matches include:
H. Richardson of the United States versus Australia's J. Ardenhall.
J. Stewart of the United States versus A. Langer of the United States.
L. Hood of Australia versus D. Candy of Australia.
Bridgette of the United States versus J. Wilson of Britain.—France-Press.

CANADA CUP TOURNAMENT

U.S. Take Individual & Team Championships

London, June 26.

The United States walked off with the Individual and Team Championships alike today in the International "Canada Cup" golf tournament at Wentworth, in Surrey. America's ace golfer, Ben Hogan, won the individual title.

South Africa was placed second in the Team Championship, Canada was third and Japan fourth.

The US team of Ben Hogan and Sam Snead, totaling 507 strokes over 72 holes in the three-day tournament, won the team title.

Hogan, who thus becomes the semi-official "World's Champion" golfer, covered the 72 holes in 277 strokes.

Mexico's De Vincenzi was placed second in the individual ranking with 282 and Van Donck of Belgium third with 283.

Other team placings were:
5th—Wales with 589.
6th—Scotland with 589.
7th—Belgium with 595.
8th—Mexico with 598.
9th—Spain and Australia tied with 607.
10th—France with 607.
11th—The Philippines with 608.

The US team covered the four rounds in 144, 142, 145 and 130. Hogan's scores were 68, 69, 72 and 68. Snead's were 75, 73, 73 and 68.

WELL ON TOP

Of the Far Eastern golfers in the Canada Cup, Japan came out well on top. In fact, the Japanese pair of Michio Ishii and Yoshio Hayashi were the revelation of the tournament. If only they had shown today's form throughout the three days they might have well wrested the Canada Cup from the United States team.

As it was, Japan finished joint-fourth with England, 19 strokes behind the leaders. It was the final superb rounds of 68 of both Japanese golfers that enabled their country to reach such a high position.

Of the two, Ishii was the more impressive with a four-round total of 289. His excellent golf enabled him to take seventh place in the unofficial ranking list of the "World's Best Golfers."

Yoshio Hayashi, after his disastrous first round of 81, steadily improved as he got to know the course—a sign of a good golfer—and he ended in 15th position with five other players with a total of 1197.

CONSOLATION ROUND

Taiwan, one of the nine countries eliminated in the consolation round of the Canada Cup golf tournament at Wentworth yesterday, finished third in a consolation tournament today.

Chen Ching-po returned 75 in the consolation round and Lu Liang-huan went round in 85. Their total of 160, combined with their score of 317, for the first two rounds, gave them a finishing aggregate of 477 and put them third to New Zealand 466 and Chile 470.

Chen played his best golf of the week but Lu was completely off form, but for a six at the last hole Chen would have finished much better. This hole marred an otherwise fine inward half of 39.

He dropped a stroke early in his round, being bunkered at the short second and taking four.

The short fifth also provided more trouble, for he was again bunkered and played out too

strongly and took four. He reached the turn in 39 and then, in a tale of disasters at short holes, missed the green at the short 10th and needed five to hold out.

He had a stroke of fortune at the 400 yards 12th where after hitting a good drive, his brassie second finished on a path off the green.

Chen's No. 6 iron recovery, beautifully hit, ran straight into the hole for a birdie three. At the short 14th he again missed the green and took four, but he had compensation at the 17th where he put a drive and a No. 4 wood second shot pin high and holed a five-yard putt for an eagle three.

At the home hole, however, he put his second shot into the bushes short of the green and took six to hole out.

A DISMAL SIX

Lu began with a dismal six at the second, where he was twice bunkered. He dropped a further stroke at the seventh for which he took five and then, at the 390 yards 8th drove into a ditch and finally three putted for six.

A five at the ninth saw him out in 43. At the short tenth he missed the green and took four and at the next he bunkered his second shot, three-putted and wrote down his third six of the round.

After a par run of 4, 5, 6, he could do no better than end with a string of four fives and he was home in 42 for a total of 85.—Reuter and France Presse.

Moore To Meet Ontario's Parker On July 25

Toronto, June 26.

The World Light-Heavyweight Champion, Archie Moore, and the British Empire Light-Heavyweight Champion, James Fawcett of Barrie, Ontario, today signed to meet on July 25 and said the winner would claim the vacated World Heavyweight title.

Moore missed the televised signing ceremony in Mayor Nathan Phillips' office in City Hall, but his manager, Charlie Johnston, took his place. He explained that Moore's plane was grounded somewhere in Nebraska and he would arrive in Toronto later today for a reception at the home of the mining executive, David Rust; Fawcett's millionaire manager.

The fight, which has not been officially recognised as a title bout, will be held in the Maple Leaf Stadium with a hoped-for gate of nearly \$250,000. The hold Chen would have finished much better. This hole marred an otherwise fine inward half of 39.

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FIVE FILIPINO BOXERS RANKED AMONG TOP TEN WORLD CONTENDERS

New York, June 26.

A Japanese and five Philippine boxers were ranked among the top 10 World Championship contenders in monthly ratings published today by the authoritative Ring magazine.

The Japanese, Hiroshi Masako, was ranked fourth, in line for a shot at the Flyweight title held by Argentina's Pascual Perez.

The Philippine challengers were: Flash Elorde, 10th-ranking Featherweight; Leo Espinoza, 11th-ranking Bantamweight; Little Caesar, 12th-ranking Bantamweight; Danny Kila, 13th-ranking Flyweight; and Larry Gorge, 14th-ranking Flyweight.

LATEST RATINGS
The Ring magazine follows:
Heavyweights — Titleholder, Rocky Marciano; Top contender, Floyd Patterson; 3 Tommy Jackson; 4 Bob Baker; 5 Willie Shoemaker.
Light-heavyweights — Titleholder, Archie Moore; Top contender, Gerhard Hecht of Germany; 2 Yolande Pompey of Trinidad; 3 Rene Strope of Germany; 4 Chuck Epner; 5 Willie Hooper of Germany.
Middleweights — Titleholder, Sugar Ray Robinson; Top contender, Gene Fullmer; 2 Benny Brund; 3 Charles Hume of France; 4 Carl Bobo Okon; 5 Charley Joseph.
Welterweights — Titleholder, Johnny Watson; Top contender, Dennis Brennan; 2 Ray DeMarco; 3 Louis Liger of Cuba.

Featherweights — Titleholder, Andy Sander; Top contender, Flash Elorde; 2 Danny Kila; 3 Fred Goetz of Spain; 4 Chuck Epner of France; 5 Carmelo Ocasio; 6 Flash Elorde of the Philippines.
Bantamweights — Titleholder, Robert Cohen of France; Top contender, Mario Daga; 2 Leo Espinoza; 3 Billy Pearce of the United States; 4 Leo Espinoza of the Philippines.
Flyweights — Titleholder, Pascual Perez of Argentina; Top contender, Memo Diaz of Mexico; 2 Dal Dover of Wales; 3 Young Maclean of Spain; 4 Hiroshi Masako of Japan; 5 Danny Kila of the Philippines.

This list includes only the top five of 10 contenders which Ring ranks in each category. —France-Press.

Lancs—Championship Leaders Beaten For The First Time

London, June 26.

Lancashire, the County Cricket Championship leaders, were beaten for the first time in 11 matches this season when they went down by seven wickets to Warwickshire at Edgbaston today.

Warwickshire, third from the bottom, took only 65 minutes to score the 60 runs needed for victory this morning. Lancashire, who have won six matches this season, head the Championship table with 84 points.

Surrey, Champions for the past four years, are now only four points behind, after their fine win over Hampshire in which Surrey's Ken Barrington and Michael Stewart both scored centuries. Hampshire, who have played ten matches, are next with 64 points—the same total as Gloucestershire and Sussex who have both played eleven matches.

The next ten counties are separated by only twelve points—from 50 to 44. Leicestershire, with 24 points from 11 matches, are four points above Kent, bottom after twelve matches.

A stand of 148 by Mike Stewart and Ken Barrington, both of whom hit their first centuries of the season enabled Surrey to declare and set Hampshire to make 239 at 76

SPIRIT AND LUCK

Nottinghamshire gained their third Championship win of the season in comfortable fashion against Leicestershire. Charles Farnham, who batted two and a half hours for 48, and the spirit and luck of Vic Munden, (51) and Maurice Hallam (52), forced Nottinghamshire to bat again. The match should have ended earlier for the Nottinghamshire fielding was erratic.

Five catches were dropped off the Australian left arm pace bowler Alan Walker, who performed the hat trick with the first three balls of Leicestershire's second innings, with the loss of one wicket Nottinghamshire hit off the runs in 35 minutes for victory.

Weak Gloucestershire batting gave Oxford University their fourth win of the season at Bristol. Gloucestershire were set to score 281 to win in 280 minutes and made a poor start when they lost three for 52. When the partnership of 103 by Derek Hawkins (63) and R. B. Nicholls (41) was broken at 163 the figures six wickets fell quick by. J. Gibson was battered by figures of five for 63 but J. A. Bailey, more accurate and hostile, deserved his three for 46.

At Guildford, Surrey beat Hampshire by 37 runs. Surrey 173 and 200 for four declared (Steward 100, Barrington 103). Hampshire 125 and 201 (Marshall 58).—Reuter.

THE GAMBOLS



GOLDEN CHURN



In its methods of training sportsmen, the Soviet Union has gone to an extreme which must be disturbing to the purely amateur athletes of the free world. Price's description of Russian training techniques shows that the men and women who hope to win the Olympic Games for the Soviet Union can hardly be classed as true amateurs.

How The USSR Grooms Sports "Amateurs"

By HARRY PRICE

The Government of the Soviet Union is making an all out drive to win the Olympic Games in Melbourne, Australia later this year. They were a close second to the United States in the late Games in Helsinki in 1952, and they won the Winter Games at Cortina, Italy, early this year.

If they achieve their purpose they might well destroy the ideal of amateurism, which has been the inspiration of the Games since their inception.

Hitherto, the difference between amateur and professional in sport has been clearly understood, although not all countries have observed the principles as closely as Britain, where amateurs train in their own time and receive no assistance from public funds.

The Russians, however, have gone to an extreme which must be disturbing to purely amateur entrants, for the Soviet Government has taken upon itself the training and organisation of athletes, who in return for continuous and exacting practice are provided with a privileged life far beyond the reach of the average worker.

NATIONAL PRIDE

This official interest in sport is not simply a matter of national pride or concern for public well-being, but a device to turn to political account the prestige which success in international contests brings. As long ago as 1948 a decree of the Communist Party directed that athletic standards should be raised to enable the Soviet Union to gain world supremacy in sport.

A 1952 pamphlet on football declared that it was the "patriotic duty" of every player to carry out these "historic decisions." On March 3, 1952, the paper Soviet Sport explained that the Soviet Union entered international competitions in order "graphically to demonstrate to the whole world the advantages and strength of the Soviet system."

The organisation which controls Soviet sport is the Com-

mittee of Physical Culture and Sport, and its importance may be judged from the fact that it is attached to the USSR Council of Ministers. Its purpose is to find promising performers in every athletic field and to recruit them into the service of the State. These recruits are found posts in industry or in the armed forces or police, where their duties are nominal. They are allowed time off for daily training and for matches, they receive an extra food allowance, and of course full pay for their jobs.

Every year the 10 best players are nominated in each branch of sport, and in the ensuing year they are paid a monthly salary of 2,500 roubles. Other players are organised in numbered grades earning a salary scaled from 1,500 roubles a month in the second grade to 1,200 roubles in the eighth. (The average wage in the Soviet Union is about 700 roubles a month.)

Leading association football teams (which the Soviet Government claims are amateur) train for two months before the season opens in April. They tour the country playing matches until late November, and finish the season with a month's rest at a health resort. All this time they are regarded as on leave on full pay from their respective posts. Each player in the team that wins the All-Union Championship receives a bonus of 5,000 roubles.

VIGOROUS TRAINING

The Soviet Union Olympic Games team will go through the procedure laid down for international events. All members are already in regular training. As soon as potential competitors are chosen, they will go to a training camp several weeks in advance of the contest. Once in the camp the athletes undergo vigorous training to bring them into peak condition for the event.

Many more athletes than will ultimately be required are called to the camp, for they have to qualify not only in physical prowess but in political reliability as well. Ideological education runs parallel with their sports training, and no matter how good an athlete is, he stands no chance of representing his country if there is a breath of suspicion about his reliability.

The Committee of Physical Culture and Sport is all-powerful in its sphere in the Soviet Union. It not only trains the country's representatives but it is responsible for sport in schools, for training coaches and lecturers, for the supply of sports equipment and for the establishment of sports grounds. It also has its own budget, which is considerable. It receives the game money from sporting events and all workers pay regular contributions towards the cost of physical culture and sport.

Criticism of the situation has been voiced in the Soviet Press. Kirokold of December 30, 1955, carried an article which detailed handsome salaries earned by footballers who were supposed to work in a chemical factory.

"Yes," it went on, "some comrades of the Leningrad City Executive Committee and City Party Committee are informed about this peculiar combination of football and chemistry. However, they only shrug their shoulders in the face of it."

For the sake of sweet moments of victory on the athletic field, they milk the State pocket 12 months in the year!

SOLELY FOR PLEASURE

The Olympic Games Regulations state that every competitor must be an amateur. He is defined as:

One who participates and always has participated in sport solely for pleasure, and for the physical, mental and social benefits he derives therefrom, and to whom participation in sport is nothing more than recreation without material gain of any kind direct or indirect.

To the Olympic Games committee athletes dedicated to a traditional observance of sportsmanship, involving among other things, cheerful acceptance of defeat. But the time may come when the interested nations will question whether the Olympic rules are being observed.

The alternative is a general adoption of the Soviet system, which would mark the end of the Games as we know them now. The Communists could then claim an important ideological victory—a weakening of the values which the free world is fighting to preserve.



This week we give pride of place on the Sports Parade to the fine old game of golf. A couple of years ago we used to hear quite a lot about the exploits of our soldier golfers but after Major Erick relinquished the job of secretary of the society it became increasingly difficult to get regular information and as a result the game received only infrequent mention.

Those of our golfers who have been in the Colony for two years and who are readers of this column will also remember that a local trader used to award a bottle of whisky to an army golfer who chalked up a hole in one... and a very acceptable "19th" it made too.

There is every indication of a revival in golfing circles, at least as far as news is concerned, and Capt D.J.W. Lampard, RA, who is now in the secretarial chair of the Hong Kong Golf Society, has passed some interesting information our way.

One of the most significant aspects of Army golf is that it is not, as so many people seem to think, a game reserved for officers. The qualification for playing is not rank but ability and of course the desire to use a set of clubs to good purpose. Under the present arrangements any other rank who is keen on the game—and there are quite a number—can play at Fanning from Monday to Friday without having to pay a green fee. In addition to this most generous gesture by the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club the Army Golf Society has a few sets of clubs which can be borrowed. A number of other ranks already take advantage of this most excellent arrangement and it is felt that others would do so if they knew more about it. If you are interested and would like to get more information have a word with your unit Golf Officer.

GOLFING CALENDAR

The next big item on the Army golfing calendar is the 1956 Inter-Unit Knock-out Competition which starts on the Old Course at Fanning early in July and for which 18 teams—including one from the Royal Air Force—have entered.

The draw for the First Round is as follows:—7 Hussars v Gurkha Rifles; REME v 18th Regt RA; There are the only two matches in the opening round and the winners will meet each other in the Second Round in which the other seven teams are as follows:—27 HAA Regt RA v HQLE 'B'; v 1 Northampton; 27 HAA Regt RA v RAMC; 1 Green Howards v 21st LAA Regt RA; HQLE 'A' v 27 LAA Regt RA; 1 King Own v 15th Med Regt RA; 27 HAA Regt RA v 15th Med Regt RA; 27 HAA Regt RA v 15th Med Regt RA.

Ties will be decided on four matches off scratch and will be played over the full 18 holes. The aggregate number of holes to be decided. If there is a tie two extra holes will be played in each match and thereafter single holes until a decision is reached.

Many well known Service golfers will be taking part. The RAMC team will include the current Army Champion, Major S. A. Biggart, who plays off 2.15. Also in the medical line-up will be Sgt Wilson, a competitive newcomer who has no handicap. There is some doubt whether or not Fl Lt Kim Hall will be available for the RAF. This scratch player is also the Combined Services Champion and if he plays he will put the army in with a great chance. Brigadier General, the Deputy Commander, will be playing in the HQLE 'A' team where a quartet from Scottish regiments should give their matches a genuine St Andrews flavour.

UNKNOWN QUALITIES

The unknown qualities in the competition however will come from the Royal Hong Kong Defence Force which will be led by Capt Alec Pearce. They will on several good players and may well recover the trophy they won in 1954 and lost to the Royal Engineers in last year's final.

All in all there seems to be some excellent sport ahead.

BURNING

"Stirling" or should I say "aquaplaning" appears to be the craze of the moment of the soldiers who find their way to the Colony beaches at the week-end. During a tour of the beaches last Sunday it was possible to see many of our keenest aquaplaners skillfully balancing on boards in the wake of small motorboats. Some of them already showed a confidence and control of ability but one of them said "Well, at least it's a new way of getting into the water."

There is also a great deal of interest in underwater diving and several well-known Army sportsmen were seen on the new pier at Kowloon on Sun-

day morning with all the familiar apparatuses of the underwater enthusiast.

The members of the Royal Army Pay Corps forget debit and credit balances for a short time on Friday when they embark on a lunch picnic to Silver Mine Bay. Let us hope the weather plays fair and they have a good day out.

RASC WEEK

I am indebted to a member of the Royal Army Service Corps for some comprehensive information on their Corps Week which is being celebrated in the United Kingdom at the moment. It is a matter of regret that there is not enough space to give full coverage to the wide range of activities which are taking place in the Aldershot District this week.

It might well be said however, that there is a spot of something for everyone and a glance down the list of events shows that shooting, golf, tennis, swimming, and a whole host of other sports figure largely on the sporting side of the programme, but with traditional foresight and inspired by their long established hospitality the Waggoners have also provided a spectacular programme of social events.

This includes a Junior Raffles' Dance at the Maida Gymnasium, a Warrant Officers' and Sergeants' Ball in the famous old Buller Mess, a Cadets' Ball, and of course the Officers' Ball at the Officers' Club. In addition to all that an ambitious At Home is being held at Buller Barracks on Saturday afternoon, "Nil Sine Labore".

BIG SOCCER MATCH

The arrangements for the big football match at Sek Kong next Tuesday between the Army and the Portuguese Army from Macao have now been almost completed. Generally they will follow the pattern I outlined last week.

One important difference however is that the opening ceremony of the new Garrison Ground will be performed by Brigadier F.C.C. Graham, DSO, Deputy Commander, Land Forces, Hongkong, and not by General Stratton as was originally anticipated.

The game will start at 4.30 p.m. and there is every indication that a big crowd will be on hand for this rather unexpected soccer event.

There is still no definite news about the composition of the Army team but it is understood that the following players have been invited to attend at the Army Ground at Sookumpoo next week-end when they will have a trial spin against the Royal Air Force—Sgt Allen (RASC), Pte Wilks (6 COD), Pte Fears (Barracking and Mallett) (7 Hussars), Sprs McInnes, Smith, Dow, Robson (24th Regt), L/Cpl Tolfray (6 COD), Pte Hough (North Staffs), Pte Jones (18th Regt), L/Cpl Hunt (Movement Lt Tp), L/Cpl Ward (1 Kings Own), and Gnr Laycock (15th Med Regt RA).

The game, which is the second in the double header for the "Club Militaire" Cup, will set a big problem for our representatives for they will have to kick-off with a deficit of two goals as they were well beaten in the first game at Macao by two goals to nil.

WATER POLO

If the early games in the Colony Water Polo League are to be taken as an accurate indication of relative strengths it would seem that Army North hold a very definite edge over their South colleagues this season. The team from the West Territories has already given some top class displays and it will certainly have a big say in the eventual destination of the Championship. However, with the frequent arrivals and departures which are so much a part of all Army teams South may yet get the new blood that will restore it to last season's brilliance.

AROUND HOLLYWOOD

GOSSIPS SAY A STAR DIED FOR LOVE

By MICHAEL RUDDY

Hollywood.

Her eyes swimming with tears, blonde actress Ursula Andress talked to me about Hollywood rumours that brilliant young film actor James Dean killed himself because of her.

They are saying that Dean's car-crash death was no accident. That this 24-year-old film actor, who has become a legend only nine months after his death, killed himself for the love of a girl.

Blonde actress Ursula Andress confessed to me: "They are saying that I broke Jimmy's heart by ending our romance, that I sent him to his death in his sports car after he 'phoned me for the last time."

"The day Paramount ended my contract because of the crash. After saying I was a young Bergman they just dropped me. Nobody tells me why officially."

"I don't think Jimmy was ready for marriage. Once he said we should marry and visit my family in Switzerland."

"We were too much alike. We'd fight over nothing, yet we liked the same things."

The love affairs of Ursula got her the nickname of "Heart Exterminator". At the age of 18, the daughter of the German Consul in Rome, she ran away for the stage.

International police found she had become a close friend of actor Daniel Gelin, in Paris. She refused to return home, and Gelin put her under contract to him.

They went to Rome and did some filming. Then they parted. It was then that Ursula met Italian artist Novella Parigini, who created a sensation when she began a search for "a perfect male nude model."

And it was from Parigini's studio that Ursula first launched herself into a whirl of social life.

It Rome she became friendly with Marlon Brando, and it was through him that she met Paramount director, who had her film-tested in London and given a seven-year contract.

In Hollywood Ursula built a reputation for eccentricity. She went about in a pair of black tights and a black jumper of clinging material, with an escort of two savage Alsatian dogs.

Then Ursula met James Dean. He was young and talented, with a passion for speed. Ursula became his constant driving companion.

Hollywood says Jimmy became more and more nervous and irritable. He began to drive at break-neck speed, spent half the night tuning up cars—and the other half bombarding Ursula with phone calls.

It was after one call that he took out his German Porsche on the trip that ended in death. "His face was like a wooden Indian," said a close friend.

Says Ursula: "I think it must have been his time on Earth. I'm a fatalist. All of us have our time."

ANGEL TO STAR

From an angel in school plays to star billing in film and Hollywood television—such has been the rise to fame of blonde, blue-eyed Angela Greene from Dublin.

In her comfortable, rambling home on Angelo-drive, she told me how her star had led her to success.

"I have a cousin, Sister Justine, a working girl, who says I've always been blessed," she said.

"I think that I was born under a lucky star."

The star took her to America when she was five.

Before that she lived in Dublin, where her father, Joseph Williams, ran a bus line. ("He called it the Angela line after me!" she said.)

With her golden hair and blue eyes she was a "natural" for plays and pageants at her school in New York ("I looked so sweet that I always got cast as an angel").

The players are Tony Trabert, Pancho Gonzalez, Frank Sedgman, Rex Hartwig and Jack Kramer.

Besides the exhibition matches Jack Kramer will hold a one-hour Tennis Clinic for the benefit of young players and school-boys.

The definite days for the exhibition matches will be announced later, as soon as the schedule of Jack Kramer's Far Eastern tour is known.

Then Aunt Katherine, from Galway, gave Angela dancing and piano lessons and sent her to dramatic classes.

COVER-GIRL

Her trim figure—height 5 ft. 3½ in., weight 8 st. 8 lbs.—brought her a job as a model, then a cover girl, then a cabaret dancer. That was in Boston.

"My first professional play was 'Early To Bed' on Broadway."

"I think it must have been my lucky star that led me to that too, because a talent scout spotted me in it."

"He brought me to Hollywood for a test and I got a long-term contract at Warner Bros. Studios."

She appeared in eleven films at Warner, including "Stallion Road," "Humoresque," with Joan Crawford and John Garfield, and "Nobody Lives Forever."

On December 7th, 1946, she married Stuart Martin, a wealthy young investor, and then she retired to have a family, making films when it was convenient.

Now Kim is 8, Madeline is 5 and Patricia Ann is 3½. "With the kids growing up, I've had time for quite a lot of television work," said Angela.

But the odd thing is... this angelic-looking young mother and skis.

very different kind of role.

MANY CHANCES

For her life in America, this girl has only praise.

"There are so many opportunities for people to use their talent," says this actress-mother-wife. "Whether you're an actor or an engineer or a dress-maker or a cook—if you deserve a chance, sooner or later you get it."

"I can't help thinking of Marilyn Monroe. She was a founding, and lived in orphanages and foster-homes before she began as a model and an actress."

"And she's not a rare case. There's Debbie Reynolds... she caught the eye of a talent agent as she rode on a lorry in the Burbank city park!"

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Should Wives Accompany Touring Cricketers?

By VERNON MORGAN

London.

Books on cricket and notably overseas tours can be very dull, but no such accusations can be levelled against "Springbok Glory" by the eminent South African cricket writer Louis Duffus (Longmans, London, 16/-).

The cover of this book is right in saying that Duffus has acquired "a style of writing conspicuous for its whimsical humour and depth of feeling." His turn of phrase is delightful. Some of his original, to the point, expressions may well go down in sporting literature.

Such expressions as "The liberality of the declarations would have staggered customs officials" or "Dismissing Bailey was like casting off an overweighted haversack after a long route march" or again "Like a dentist probing a nerve they found the point of (nervous) decay in South Africa's batting."

And what better put than "The middle stud in the shirt front of South African cricket dropped out and revealed a nakedness in aggressive batting that influenced the whole tour."

WITTY STORIES

Duffus relates many witty and pleasing stories such as the tale of the Duke of Portland's spoon; he takes the reader with him in his worldwide travels, expressing the delights of Britain and the Continent in entertaining fashion, and he also gives the cricket fan the inside story of South Africa's recent tour in Britain and Australia and tells of the game in his own country.

A major part of the book is on last season's cricket in England and the great battles South Africa gave England in her gallant failure to take the Test series.

Of this tour Duffus says "Victory would not have been unjust. They were better balanced than England, incomparably superior in fielding, markedly better off in opening batsmen and quantity of batting, though they never

touching the high quality of Peter May and Denis Compton. Nor were they as well-equipped as England in the speed and varied spin of their bowlers. He adds that England had to win the test four times out of five to beat them.

Duffus says that the secret of South Africa's successes was the "one-for-all" team spirit and unwavering application to the game.

Duffus is a fearless critic is not afraid to criticise as well as praise whether the players be South Africans or their rivals. He gives his own views as to the pros and cons of allowing wives to tour with their husbands.

The official view on this has always been that the presence of wives might have a distracting effect and upset the harmony so necessary for the success of a touring team.

PREMATURE RETIREMENT

This was responsible for the premature retirement of Australian Arthur Morris, one of the best left-handed batsmen in the world.

It also resulted in fast bowler Fast Chawford and his wife travelling to England in April in different ships within a week of each other.

Now, Geoffrey Evans, one of the greatest wicketkeepers of all time, joins in this controversial subject. In his book "Action in Cricket" (Hodder and Stoughton,

London, 12/6) he not only urges that wives should be allowed to join their husbands on tour but that some official help should be given with the travelling expenses. Evans, a widely-travelled player whose wife joined him on tours in the West Indies and Australia, with the special permission of MCC, says that a player should be responsible for his wife's expenses on reaching a country, "but the fare to and from the country of the tour is a different matter."

"The MCC has never refused permission, so far as I know, for any wife to join her husband on tour, but they would take no responsibility for travel arrangements or expenses.... I do feel that something should be done about it."

SPECIFIED NUMBER

Evans says that there should be some way round the situation, and thinks "a scheme might be evolved whereby a specified number of MCC tours should be entitled as some small reward for his services to the game, to have a wife's return fare paid at least once."

This wives question is one of the many on which Evans writes with authority in his second effort at autobiography. He has "looked" to all the leading bowlers in positive cricket and had a close-up of the world's best batsmen, and his judgment on these provides two absorbing chapters. —China Mail Special.

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Forty Fastest Jet Transports Ordered Golden Arrows Will Cruise At 609 mph

Los Angeles.

The world's newest and fastest commercial airliner, described as a combined undertaking of Hughes Tool Company, Delta Air Lines, Inc., Convair and General Electric Company, was announced in a joint statement of the presidents of the four companies here last week.

The statement was signed by Howard Hughes, president of Hughes Tool Company (of which Trans World Airlines is a subsidiary), C. E. Woolman, president of Delta, Joseph T. McNamery, president of the Convair Division of General Dynamics Corporation, and Ralph J. Conlin, president of General Electric Company.

Called the Golden Arrow, the new Convair plane is a medium-range jet transport with a cruising speed of 609 miles an hour.

SHIMMERING GOLD

The name Golden Arrow, the statement said, is derived not only from the airplane's commercially unmatched speed but from its planned unique and sensational employment of colour in metal.

The Golden Arrows are planned to be the first airplanes to include exterior metal which is shimmering gold in colour rather than the conventional

silver colour associated with airplanes through the years. The aircraft will be delivered during 1959 for use by TWA, which serves 35,000 miles of airline routes in the United States, Europe, Africa and Asia, and by Delta, the nation's fifth-largest domestic airline, which operates a 10,765-mile system in the United States and six Caribbean countries.

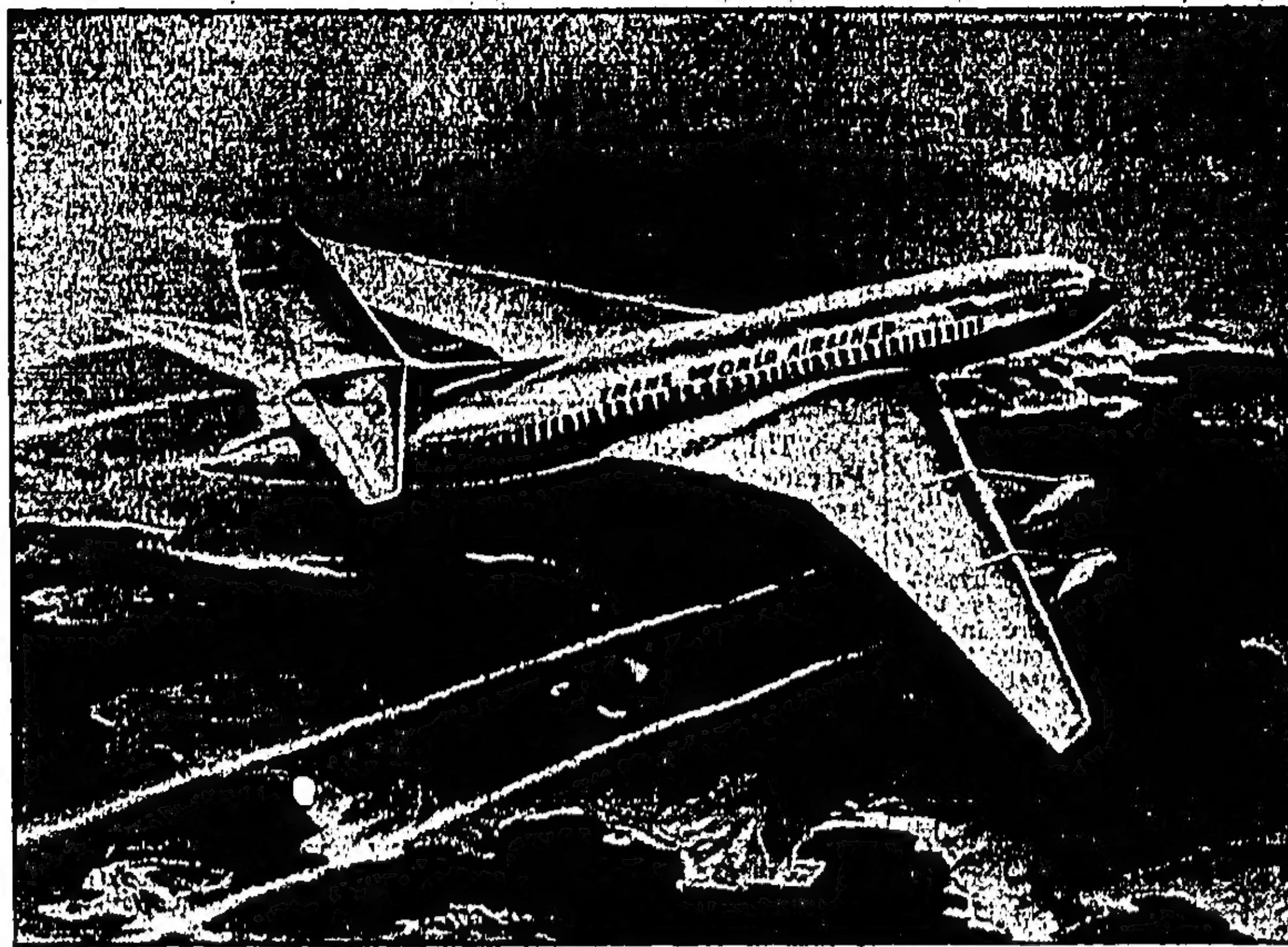
Forty Golden Arrows have been ordered, 30 by Hughes Tool for service on TWA and 10 by Delta. The total amount of the contracts, including spares, was announced as "well in excess of \$200,000,000."

The announcement declared the new airplane will bring top-speed jet travel luxury to scores of cities whose existing airports cannot accommodate any other jet transport which will be available in or near the same period as the Golden Arrow.

COMMERCIAL VERSION

The airplane will be powered by four CJ-805 engines, making the entry into the commercial aircraft engine field by General Electric after producing more than 3,000 jet engines for the military. The CJ-805 engine is the commercial version of the GE-J79, which has already had substantial successful flight experience and is designed to produce more power per pound of engine weight than any other engine of comparable size.

The Golden Arrow will be produced by Convair at its San Diego, Calif., plant.



Woman's 'Win' Was £2 Loss

Durban, June 26.

A well-dressed Indian with a new lute in confidence tricks has got away with £2 in Durban.

He went into a shop and asked to see "the other lady," Mrs. B. Urban, who was out at lunch at the time. On being told that she was out, the Indian said she had won £94 on "Fish-Fee" (a type of sweepstake), but required £2 before he could collect her winnings for her.

The assistant in the shop gave the Indian £2 and when Mrs. Urban returned excitedly told her of her "win."

"Of course I had taken no such bait and we haven't seen the Indian again," Mrs. Urban said. —China Mail Special.

Fish Rarer Than The Coelacanth

Grahamstown, June 26.

A small fish with a wavy, wedge-shaped body, long flowing crest on the head and spreading fanlike upstanding tail, found recently at Mossel Bay, is one of the greatest rarities of the fish world, according to a leading South African ichthyologist.

Although known for a long time, he said, it was even rarer than the coelacanth, for only about six specimens had been found during the past century.

This one was the second found in South African waters, the others being from the Mediterranean and the Pacific.

The fish was believed to live at great depths and to rise to the surface only rarely. —China Mail Special.

Credit In Abundance

Athens, June 26.

A check up has been ordered by the Government of statistics in Greece and a revision of the relevant certificates issued by the authorities.

The decision comes after it was recently announced that one in every three Greeks is registered in the lists as having an income amounting to less than £3 per month.

Meanwhile the Greek General Federation has announced that according to statistical evidence gathered by its services the average workers' family in Greece has a monthly deficit of about £14 sterling.

It is believed that this deficit is covered by rolling credits granted to workers by grocers and other traders. —China Mail Special.

New Soviet Drive To Force Collectivisation

Vienna, June 26.

In the predominantly peasant lands of Eastern Europe which are now included in the Soviet bloc, a new drive for the collectivisation of the land has been started.

It is in the sector of agriculture, and especially in that of the collectivisation of the land, that most of these countries have lagged far behind their plans.

The peasants are hindered by individualism and despite the use of bribes and force—the offers of taxation relief on the one hand and the application of strongly discriminatory laws on the other—they have often steadfastly refused to give up their individual holdings and join the co-operative or state farms.

In Bulgaria the drive for collectivisation has so far gone furthest and there would seem to be evidence that by the end of this year Bulgaria will achieve at least 85 per cent collectivisation.

By the end of 1954 already 60.5 per cent of the arable land of the country had been brought under collective ownership.

Refugees have reported that on the collective farms, owing to mismanagement and dishonesty, there has been even hunger, among the working members.

Variety Of Methods

It would seem unlikely, therefore, that this great rush of new members was the result of a sudden urge to join a notoriously unsuccessful movement.

On the other hand, many reports have reached here that pressure of the roughest kind has often been used to get the reluctant peasants to give up their liberty and the land they love and to sign on as members of collective farms.

Reliable reports state that Bulgarian peasants have been forced into the collectives by a variety of methods.

One was that they were told that their children would not be allowed to continue at the local school, or that their relatives or offices would lose their jobs unless they joined.

Students were warned that unless their parents joined the co-operative farms they would not get their diplomas and Government employment later.

Some peasants were ordered to deliver to the State large quantities of produce, which they were alleged to owe, but were promised that if they joined the co-operative farm this debt would be forgiven them.

Into Stride

In March, when the drive got into its stride, many peasants were called to the local councils night after night, and kept waiting there all night.

If they refused to sign, they were told to go home to work all day and to come back again at night. After a few nights without sleep many of them signed.

One eye-witness report said that in one village the peasants were called together and asked to sign over their land to the collective farm. Three times they all refused saying that they knew only too well the misery and hunger among the peasants who had joined.

At the end of the third meeting, lorry loads of soldiers were brought in. They ordered the peasants but they still refused to sign.

Then the soldiers were ordered to seize as many of the peasants as they could, load them on the lorries, and drive off into the near-by woods.

Committed Suicide

When the lorries reached the woods the soldiers began firing volley after volley into the air. As the shots were heard clearly in the village, the remaining peasants consented to sign to escape what they thought had been the fate of their comrades—shooting.

Then the lorries drove back and the peasants who thought they had narrowly escaped death were also glad to sign the membership forms.

A number of the peasants are reported to have committed suicide when they realised that they had signed away their land and their liberty.

Similar new drives are reported to be beginning, with perhaps rather less thoroughness, in Czechoslovakia, East Germany, Hungary, and Rumania.

In Hungary for example Szazad reports that the Government intends to collectivise "more than half of the total land" by the end of 1956.

Even Less

In Albania this plans lays down that 85 per cent of the land must be collectivised by 1950 and 1,400 new collective farms are said to have been founded this year in a great new drive.

In Czechoslovakia only 30 per cent of the land had been collectivised by the end of 1955 and it was even less in East Germany. —China Mail Special.

Royal Train Guard Retires

East London, June 26.

Mr. Albert Douglas Mardon, "Gard" or "brake" man of the East London schoolchildren's South African Railways' guard, who was specially selected to look after the Royal train in the Cape Eastern system in 1947, has retired from the Administration after 37 years' service.

Mr. Mardon began his career on the railways in Queenstown, near East London, and after being stationed there for five years came to East London where he has been ever since. —China Mail Special.

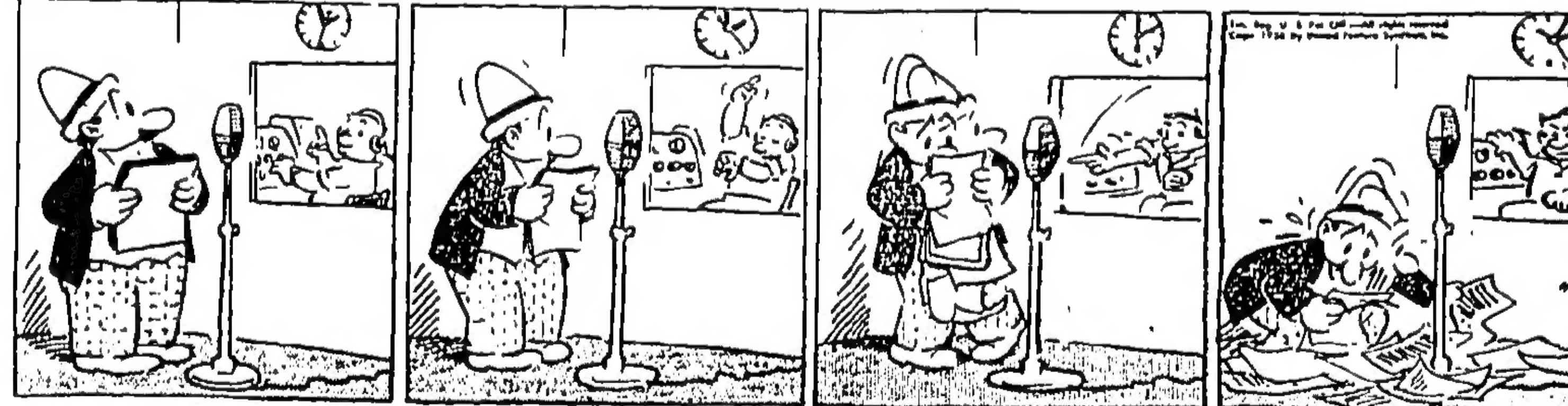
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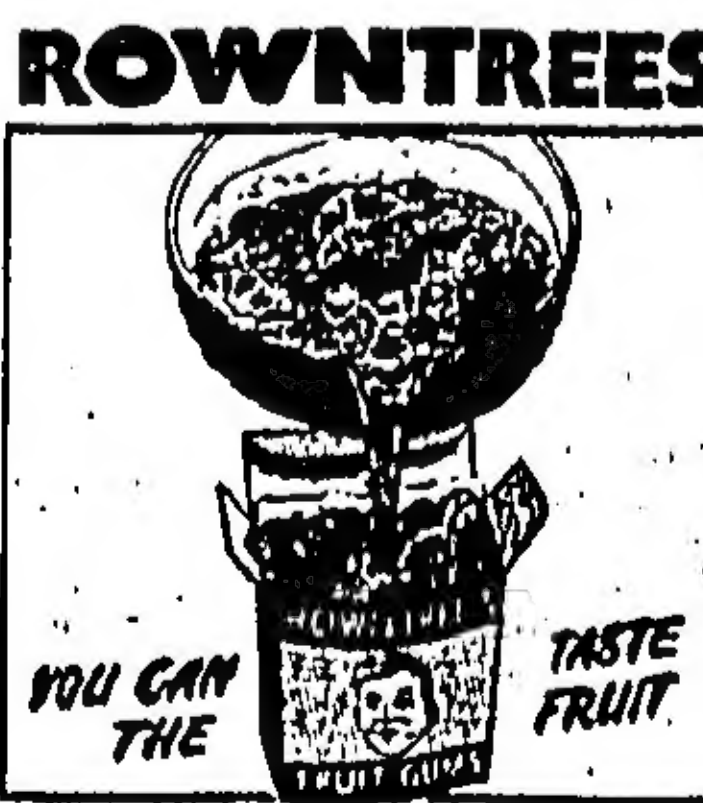


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